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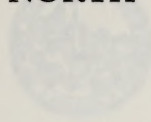
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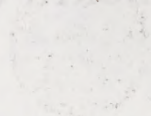
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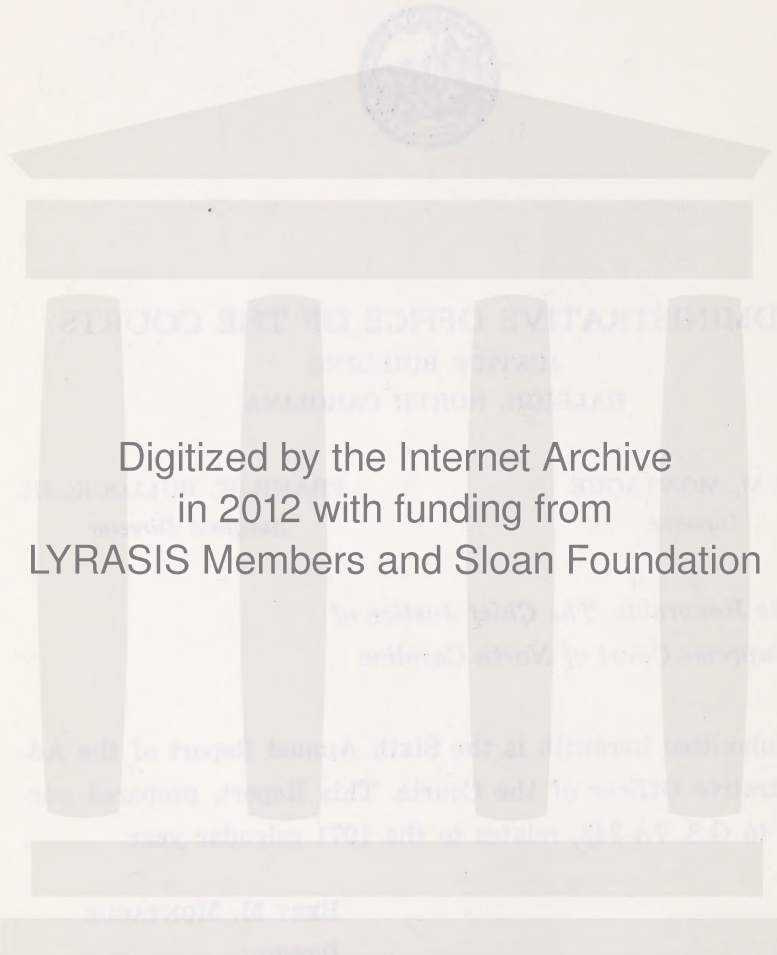
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*To The Honorable, The Chief Justice of
The Supreme Court of North Carolina*

Submitted herewith is the Sixth Annual Report of the Administrative Officer of the Courts. This Report, prepared pursuant to G.S. 7A-343, relates to the 1971 calendar year.

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FOREWORD

Although court reorganization had its beginnings in North Carolina more than a decade ago, 1971 marks the first year in which both trial divisions of the General Court of Justice have operated throughout the State. During the years of transition since 1966, it has been difficult to generalize about the state of the courts' dockets since the number of counties within the system was changing and as new counties were phased in the dockets reflected an expected period of adjustment. In 1972, it will be possible for the first time to compare all 100 counties without the skewing effects of transition and adjustment.

This year it is possible to make meaningful comparisons with respect to the 83 counties where the new system was fully operational in the calendar years 1969, 1970 and 1971. Accordingly, most of the year to year comparisons in the narrative portion of this report are based upon the 83 counties where the court structure was constant throughout the period of comparison. Although each of the tables in this report includes case flow data from all 100 counties, the totals are reported separately for the 83 counties which have been within the system for three years and the 17 counties that entered the system on December 7, 1970. The former counties are referred to as "Group I" and the latter counties are referred to as "Group II."

The variables that produce an "acceptable" or "unacceptable" condition of the dockets in any judicial district are multiple and differ widely from county to county. Responsible officials in each county and judicial district must analyze the data contained herein and measure their court's performance against what appears to be the statewide trend:

- The number of criminal cases pending in the superior court is increasing at an alarming rate. In "Group I" counties, the number pending increased from 9,179 on December 31, 1969, to 15,586 on December 31, 1971, an increase of 69.8% within a two year period.

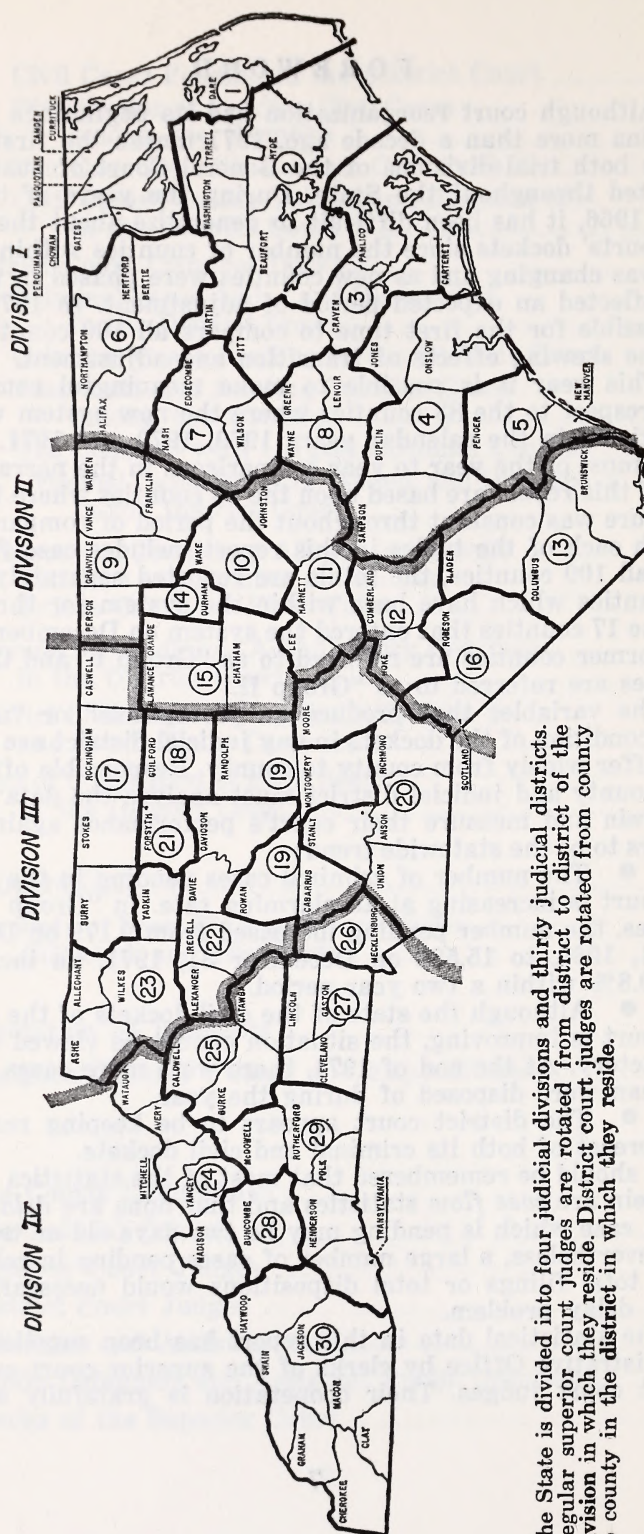
- Although the state of the civil dockets of the superior court is improving, the situation cannot be viewed as satisfactory. At the end of 1971, there were more cases pending than were disposed of during the year.

- The district court appears to be keeping reasonably abreast of both its criminal and civil dockets.

It should be remembered that most of the statistics contained herein are *case flow* statistics and that none are *delay* statistics. A case which is pending may be two days old or two years old. Nevertheless, a large number of cases pending in relation to either total filings or total dispositions would necessarily indicate a delay problem.

The statistical data in this report has been supplied to the Administrative Office by clerks of the superior court and chief district court judges. Their cooperation is gratefully acknowledged.

NORTH CAROLINA JUDICIAL DIVISIONS AND DISTRICTS



The State is divided into four judicial divisions and thirty judicial districts. Regular superior court judges are rotated from district to district of the division in which they reside. District court judges are rotated from county to county in the district in which they reside.

THE APPELLATE DIVISION

The number of opinions filed by the Supreme Court in 1971 was almost double the number filed in 1970, increasing from 109 to 211. Full opinions were written in 204 cases and 7 opinions were *per curiam*. Of the total, 132 were criminal and 79 were civil cases. Seventy-four percent (98 opinions) of the criminal appeals were affirmed and 53% (42 opinions) of the civil appeals were affirmed. In the remaining cases the Supreme Court modified the decision from which the appeal was taken. As reported in the North Carolina Reports, the court disposed of 143 petitions for *certiorari*, 13 motions to dismiss and 1 motion to rehear.

On October 20, 1971, the Supreme Court suspended its general referral order of July, 1970, which required direct transfer without consideration by the Court of Appeals of civil actions involving a governmental unit and criminal actions involving offenses for which the maximum punishment exceeds ten years. The court observed that the order would remain suspended until "the work load of this Court and of the Court of Appeals requires further action pursuant to G.S. 7A-31(b)(4)."

The number of opinions filed by the Court of Appeals has increased annually. Three hundred and ninety-two opinions were filed in 1968, 536 in 1969, 594 in 1970, and 605 in 1971. The court determined and disposed of 238 motions and 355 petitions in 1971. In 1971, 125 cases docketed in the Court of Appeals were transferred to the Supreme Court pursuant to the order referred to above.

JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT

Chief Justice

WILLIAM H. BOBBITT

Associate Justices

CARLISLE W. HIGGINS

JOSEPH BRANCH

SUSIE SHARP

J. FRANK HUSKINS

I. BEVERLY LAKE

DAN K. MOORE

Emergency Justices

EMERY B. DENNY

WILLIAM B. RODMAN, JR.

J. WILL PLESS, JR.

JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS

Chief Judge

RAYMOND B. MALLARD

Associate Judges

HUGH B. CAMPBELL

FRANK M. PARKER

WALTER E. BROCK

R. A. HEDRICK

DAVID M. BRITT

EARL W. VAUGHN

NAOMI E. MORRIS

WILLIAM E. GRAHAM, JR.

THE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION

While the state of the civil dockets in the superior court has improved over 1970, the condition of the criminal dockets has worsened. In the 83 counties where the district court was in operation in both 1970 and 1971 the number of criminal cases pending at the end of the year increased by 28.3% and the number of civil cases decreased by 9.8%.

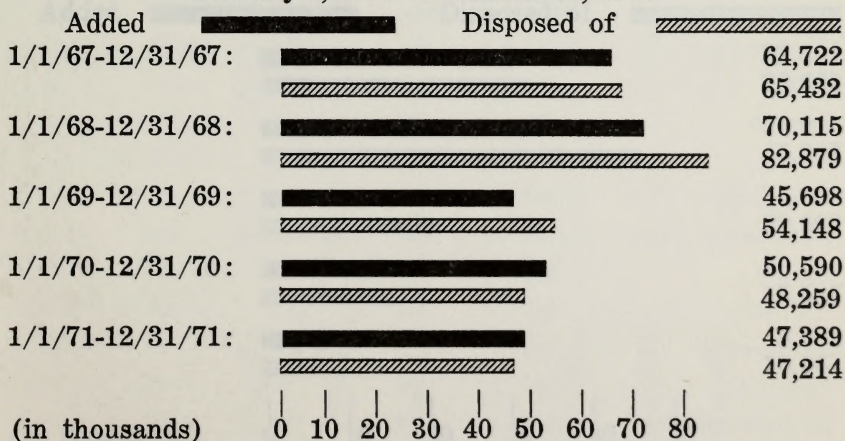
Although the congestion in the criminal dockets has received considerable notice, the improving state of the civil dockets should not obscure the fact that there is also room for much improvement in the disposition of civil cases. This need is evidenced by the fact that there were more civil cases pending at the end of 1971 (12,239) than were disposed of during the year (10,064). In the 83 counties where the district court has been in operation for the last three years, the number of civil cases pending at years end exceeded the number of dispositions in both 1970 and 1971. This situation should be closely watched and should not be accepted as "normal". At a minimum, the number of cases pending at the end of the year should be reduced to a number equal to or below the number of cases disposed of during that year. This conservative goal would still leave approximately one year's work on the civil dockets of the superior court.

In the 83 counties, an examination of the combined civil and criminal dockets reveals that filings increased by 8%, dispositions increased by 12.1%, and the number of cases pending at the end of the year increased by 9.5%.

In all 100 counties, superior court was scheduled for 149 fewer days than in 1970, but there was an increase of 89 days in the number actually held. The percentage of court utilization increased from 80.3% to 82.6%.

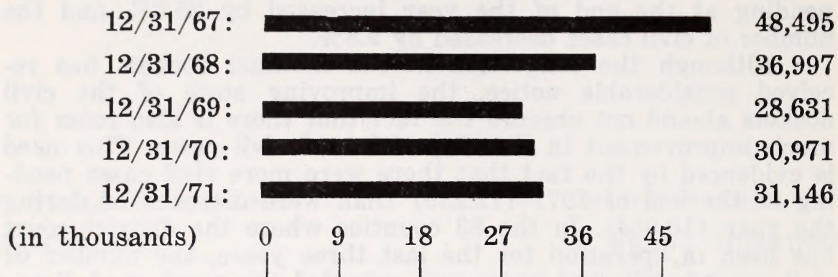
TOTAL CASES ADDED AND DISPOSED OF IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

January 1, 1967 - December 31, 1971



TOTAL CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

December 31, 1967 - December 31, 1971



UTILIZATION OF SCHEDULED COURT

January 1, 1967 - December 31, 1971

	<i>Days Scheduled</i>	<i>Days Held</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
1/1/67-12/31/67	9,313	7,815	83.9
1/1/68-12/31/68	9,421	8,042	85.4
1/1/69-12/31/69	9,061½	7,118	78.5
1/1/70-12/31/70	8,940½	7,178½	80.3
1/1/71-12/31/71	8,792	7,266½	82.6

SUPERIOR COURT CIVIL DOCKETS

In the 83 counties where the district court was in operation in both 1970 and 1971, civil filings in the superior court decreased from 7,124 to 6,968 or 2.2%, dispositions increased from 6,715 to 8,133 or 21.1%, and the number of cases pending at the end of the year decreased from 11,836 to 10,671 or 9.8%.

The number of days of court held in the 83 counties decreased from 2,406 in 1970 to 2,239 in 1971, a decrease of 6.9%. The percentage of court utilization increased from 72.8% to 76.4%.

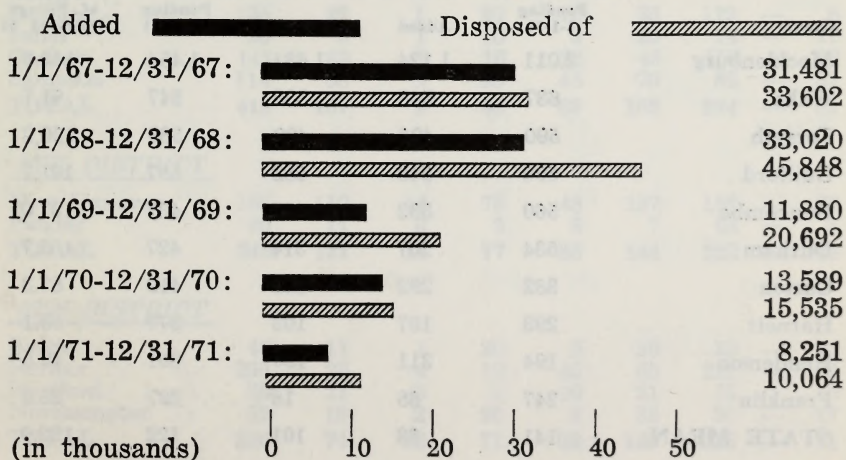
Among all 100 counties, the 10 counties with the largest civil dockets accounted for 47.3% of the total pending cases. Sixty-seven counties had 100 or fewer cases pending and only 4 counties had more than 500 cases pending.

The impact of the civil jurisdiction of the district court on the civil dockets of the superior court continues to be evident. The above statistics would have been even more encouraging had the new 17 counties been included in the comparisons, e.g., among all 100 counties filings dropped from 13,589 to 8,251, a decrease of 39.3%.

It is evident that the district court has considerably reduced the volume of civil filings in the superior court and that no trend is apparent indicating increased filings in the superior court. The reduced level of civil activity in the superior court should provide an opportunity for further reduction of the number of civil cases pending and greater concentration on the criminal dockets of that court.

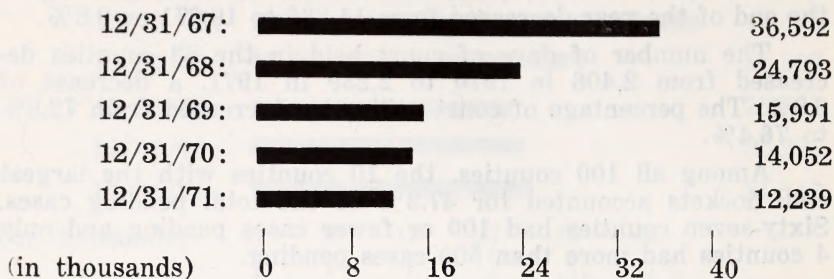
CIVIL CASES ADDED AND DISPOSED OF IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

January 1, 1967 - December 31, 1971



CIVIL CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

December 31, 1967 - December 31, 1971



DISTRIBUTION OF PENDING CIVIL CASES AMONG THE COUNTIES

Number of Cases Number of Counties 1970 1971	Less than 50	50-100	101-200	201-500	Over 500
	37	22	25	9	7
	46	21	19	10	4

TEN COUNTIES WITH LARGEST CIVIL DOCKETS

County	Pending 1-1-71	Added	Disposed of	Pending 12-31-71	Percent of Filings Disposed of
Mecklenburg	2,011	1,124	1,681	1,454	149.6
Wake	637	548	338	847	61.7
Forsyth	590	498	499	589	100.2
Guilford	596	543	552	587	101.7
Buncombe	560	332	455	437	137.0
Durham	534	207	314	427	151.7
Gaston	382	292	255	419	87.3
Harnett	293	187	103	377	55.1
Henderson	194	311	154	351	49.5
Franklin	247	68	18	297	26.5
STATE MEAN	141	83	101	122	122.0

CIVIL CASES PENDING, ADDED, AND DISPOSED OF IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS BY JUDICIAL DISTRICTS

January 1, 1971 — December 31, 1971

<u>1ST DISTRICT</u>	Pending 1/1/71	Filed	Disposed of				Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss	
			Jury	Judge	Other	Total			
Camden	6	12	0	0	0	0	18	+	12
Chowan	44	12	1	7	9	17	39	—	5
Currituck	17	10	0	5	5	10	17		0
Dare	52	17	0	27	7	34	35	—	17
Gates	22	4	0	3	4	7	19	—	3
Pasquotank	33	36	2	12	9	23	46	+	13
Perquimans	25	14	1	0	19	20	19	—	6
TOTAL	199	105	4	54	53	111	193	—	6

<u>2ND DISTRICT</u>									
Beaufort	63	48	5	13	26	44	67	+	4
Hyde	13	8	0	2	11	13	8	—	5
Martin	29	25	1	9	16	26	28	—	1
Tyrrell	5	0	0	0	3	3	2	—	3
Washington	20	11	3	2	9	14	17	—	3
TOTAL	130	92	9	26	65	100	122	—	8

<u>3RD DISTRICT</u>									
Carteret	125	65	9	41	48	98	92	—	33
Craven	192	124	4	33	84	121	195	+	3
Pamlico	15	8	0	2	5	7	16	+	1
Pitt	255	99	1	33	200	234	120	—	135
TOTAL	587	296	14	109	337	460	423	—	164

<u>4TH DISTRICT</u>									
Duplin	135	27	1	20	12	33	129	—	6
Jones	25	9	1	10	9	20	14	—	11
Onslow	141	63	5	16	24	45	159	+	18
Sampson	114	38	2	20	48	70	82	—	32
TOTAL	415	137	9	66	93	168	384	—	31

<u>5TH DISTRICT</u>									
New Hanover	185	110	14	75	48	137	158	—	27
Pender	60	11	0	2	5	7	64	+	4
TOTAL	245	121	14	77	53	144	222	—	23

<u>6TH DISTRICT</u>									
Bertie	48	11	1	20	5	26	33	—	15
Halifax	260	26	4	19	42	65	221	—	39
Hertford	35	21	5	6	10	21	35		0
Northampton	53	16	2	26	5	33	36	—	17
TOTAL	396	74	12	71	62	145	325	—	71

7TH DISTRICT	Pending 1/1/71	Filed	Disposed of				Pending 12/31/71	Gain or	
			Jury	Judge	Other	Total		Loss	
Edgecombe	46	41	1	41	23	65	22	—	24
Nash	132	104	10	53	51	114	122	—	10
Wilson	195	84	4	74	37	115	164	—	31
TOTAL	373	229	15	168	111	294	308	—	65

<u>8TH DISTRICT</u>									
Greene	29	17	0	2	3	5	41	+	12
Lenoir	614	72	92	166	228	486	200	—	414
Wayne	223	127	13	54	50	117	233	+	10
TOTAL	866	216	105	222	281	608	474	—	392

<u>9TH DISTRICT</u>									
Franklin	247	68	4	8	6	18	297	+	50
Granville	181	22	3	14	138	155	48	—	133
Person	25	23	0	17	9	26	22	—	3
Vance	62	71	1	18	34	53	80	+	18
Warren	86	18	1	3	27	31	73	—	13
TOTAL	601	202	9	60	214	283	520	—	81

<u>10TH DISTRICT</u>									
Wake	637	548	36	145	157	338	847	+	210

<u>11TH DISTRICT</u>									
Harnett	293	187	8	27	68	103	377	+	84
Johnston	164	94	12	28	60	100	158	—	6
Lee	70	53	3	15	18	36	87	+	17
TOTAL	527	334	23	70	146	239	622	+	95

<u>12TH DISTRICT</u>									
Cumberland	284	196	18	59	131	208	272	—	12
Hoke	51	18	0	1	45	46	23	—	28
TOTAL	335	214	18	60	176	254	295	—	40

<u>13TH DISTRICT</u>									
Bladen	49	17	7	14	23	44	22	—	27
Brunswick	160	19	9	2	21	32	147	—	13
Columbus	153	58	12	50	26	88	123	—	30
TOTAL	362	94	28	66	70	164	292	—	70

<u>14TH DISTRICT</u>									
Durham	534	207	21	35	258	314	427	—	107

<u>15TH DISTRICT</u>									
Alamance	132	127	8	19	81	108	151	+	19
Chatham	57	26	5	12	18	35	48	—	9
Orange	105	55	4	16	29	49	111	+	6
TOTAL	294	208	17	47	128	192	310	+	16

	Pending 1/1/71	Filed	Disposed of				Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss	
			Jury	Judge	Other	Total			
16TH DISTRICT									
Robeson	91	73	11	31	18	60	104	+	13
Scotland	51	17	2	8	13	23	45	—	6
TOTAL	142	90	13	39	31	83	149	+	7

17TH DISTRICT

Caswell	34	11	0	2	6	8	37	+	3
Rockingham	130	104	13	70	31	114	120	—	10
Stokes	88	24	0	75	10	85	27	—	61
Surry	116	74	11	4	76	91	99	—	17
TOTAL	368	213	24	151	123	298	283	—	85

18TH DISTRICT

Guilford—									
Greensboro	451	403	43	188	155	386	468	+	17
High Point	145	140	17	88	61	166	119	—	26
TOTAL	596	543	60	276	216	552	587	—	9

19TH DISTRICT

Cabarrus	114	83	18	55	34	107	90	—	24
Montgomery	34	21	1	6	22	29	26	—	8
Randolph	234	101	14	55	64	133	202	—	32
Rowan	302	75	13	26	274	313	64	—	238
TOTAL	684	280	46	142	394	582	382	—	302

20TH DISTRICT

Anson	16	30	1	3	6	10	36	+	20
Moore	77	47	7	16	14	37	87	+	10
Richmond	103	46	9	27	28	64	85	—	18
Stanly	25	18	3	8	11	22	21	—	4
Union	62	83	14	29	41	84	61	—	1
TOTAL	283	224	34	83	100	217	290	+	7

21ST DISTRICT

Forsyth	590	498	75	294	130	499	589	—	1
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22ND DISTRICT

Alexander	43	18	5	10	34	49	12	—	31
Davidson	138	135	17	64	68	149	124	—	14
Davie	26	20	0	10	3	13	33	+	7
Iredell	120	137	12	45	40	97	160	+	40
TOTAL	327	310	34	129	145	308	329	+	2

23RD DISTRICT

Alleghany	5	13	2	2	5	9	9	+	4
Ashe	32	17	1	3	34	38	11	—	21
Wilkes	144	75	15	55	84	154	65	—	79
Yadkin	96	43	7	32	48	87	52	—	44
TOTAL	277	148	25	92	171	288	137	—	140

	Pending 1/1/71	Filed	Disposed of				Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss	
			Jury	Judge	Other	Total			
<u>24TH DISTRICT</u>									
Avery	10	32	1	4	6	11	31	+	21
Madison	13	23	1	8	10	19	17	+	4
Mitchell	7	26	1	5	4	10	23	+	16
Watauga	19	18	0	6	12	18	19		0
Yancey	62	15	1	9	29	39	38	—	24
TOTAL	111	114	4	32	61	97	128	+	17
<u>25TH DISTRICT</u>									
Burke	93	84	15	43	13	71	106	+	13
Caldwell	75	85	0	37	20	57	103	+	28
Catawba	171	91	5	42	133	180	82	—	89
TOTAL	339	260	20	122	166	308	291	—	48
<u>26TH DISTRICT</u>									
Mecklenburg	2,011	1,124	57	685	939	1,681	1,454	—	557
<u>27TH DISTRICT</u>									
Cleveland	130	156	32	27	99	158	128	—	2
Gaston	382	292	22	109	124	255	419	+	37
Lincoln	38	28	4	12	0	16	50	+	12
TOTAL	550	476	58	148	223	429	597	+	47
<u>28TH DISTRICT</u>									
Buncombe	560	332	41	167	247	455	437	—	123
<u>29TH DISTRICT</u>									
Henderson	194	311	8	53	93	154	351	+	157
McDowell	67	16	2	4	45	51	32	—	35
Polk	24	9	2	3	9	14	19	—	5
Rutherford	106	60	12	33	26	71	95	—	11
Transylvania	22	12	2	2	3	7	27	+	5
TOTAL	413	408	26	95	176	297	524	+	111
<u>30TH DISTRICT</u>									
Cherokee	24	13	1	3	12	16	21	—	3
Clay	9	1	1	0	1	2	8	—	1
Graham	18	18	1	7	7	15	21	+	3
Haywood	89	44	3	25	24	52	81	—	8
Jackson	54	19	0	21	9	30	43	—	11
Macon	73	31	0	15	6	21	83	+	10
Swain	33	28	0	12	8	20	41	+	8
TOTAL	300	154	6	83	67	156	298	—	2
Group I	11,836	6,968	687	3,133	4,313	8,133	10,671	—	1,165
Per Cent			8.4	38.5	53.1	100%			
Group II	2,216	1,283	170	681	1,080	1,931	1,568	—	648
Per Cent			8.8	35.3	55.9	100%			
GRAND TOTAL	14,052	8,251	857	3,814	5,393	10,064	12,239	—	1,813
Per Cent			8.5	37.9	53.6	100%			

UTILIZATION OF CIVIL SUPERIOR COURT TERMS BY JUDICIAL DISTRICTS

1971 Calendar Year

1ST DISTRICT

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
Camden	5	1	4	20.0
Chowan	5	5	0	100.0
Currituck	10	7	3	70.0
Dare	15	11	4	73.3
Gates	5	2	3	40.0
Pasquotank	20	11½	8½	57.5
Perquimans	10	4	6	40.0
TOTAL	70	41½	28½	59.3

2ND DISTRICT

Beaufort	30	23	7	76.6
Hyde	0	0	0	0
Martin	15	8½	6½	56.7
Tyrrell	0	0	0	0
Washington	5	3	2	60.0
TOTAL	50	34½	15½	69.0

3RD DISTRICT

Carteret	30	18	12	60.0
Craven	28	21	7	75.0
Pamlico	6	3½	2½	58.3
Pitt	34	26	8	76.5
TOTAL	98	68½	29½	69.9

4TH DISTRICT

Duplin	20	14½	5½	72.5
Jones	10	7	3	70.0
Onslow	25	13½	11½	54.0
Sampson	20	14	6	70.0
TOTAL	75	49	26	65.3

5TH DISTRICT

New Hanover	89	67½	21½	75.8
Pender	10	2	8	20.0
TOTAL	99	69½	29½	70.2

6TH DISTRICT

Bertie	17	6	11	35.3
Halifax	25	14½	10½	58.0
Hertford	16	10½	5½	65.6
Northampton	15	7	8	46.7
TOTAL	73	38	35	52.1

7TH DISTRICT

Edgecombe	30	15	15	50.0
Nash	44	21½	22½	48.9
Wilson	38	26	12	68.4
TOTAL	112	62½	49½	55.8

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
<u>8TH DISTRICT</u>				
Greene	7	2½	4½	35.7
Lenoir	32	23	9	71.9
Wayne	55	43½	11½	79.1
TOTAL	94	69	25	73.4
<u>9TH DISTRICT</u>				
Franklin	20	15	5	75.0
Granville	19	11	8	57.9
Person	15	7	8	46.7
Vance	20	15	5	75.0
Warren	15	7	8	46.7
TOTAL	89	55	34	61.8
<u>10TH DISTRICT</u>				
Wake	180	168	12	93.3
<u>11TH DISTRICT</u>				
Harnett	65	51	14	78.5
Johnston	55	48	7	87.3
Lee	23	14	9	60.9
TOTAL	143	113	30	79.0
<u>12TH DISTRICT</u>				
Cumberland	66	47	19	71.2
Hoke	10	4	6	40.0
TOTAL	76	51	25	67.1
<u>13TH DISTRICT</u>				
Bladen	20	15½	4½	77.5
Brunswick	25	21½	3½	86.0
Columbus	49	35	14	71.4
TOTAL	94	72	22	76.6
<u>14TH DISTRICT</u>				
Durham	90	79	11	87.8
<u>15TH DISTRICT</u>				
Alamance	39	28	11	71.8
Chatham	19	10½	8½	55.3
Orange	35	31½	3½	90.0
TOTAL	93	70	23	75.3
<u>16TH DISTRICT</u>				
Robeson	40	29	11	72.5
Scotland	15	8	7	53.3
TOTAL	55	37	18	67.3
<u>17TH DISTRICT</u>				
Caswell	6	2½	3½	41.7
Rockingham	44	38	6	86.4
Stokes	5	5	0	100.0
Surry	43	33	10	76.7
TOTAL	98	78½	19½	80.1

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
<u>18TH DISTRICT</u>				
Guilford	256	199	57	77.7
<u>19TH DISTRICT</u>				
Cabarrus	64	30	34	46.9
Montgomery	10	6	4	60.0
Randolph	78	45	33	57.7
Rowan	58	31	27	53.4
TOTAL	210	112	98	53.3
<u>20TH DISTRICT</u>				
Anson	20	3	17	15.0
Moore	20	12	8	60.0
Richmond	35	22	13	62.9
Stanly	15	10	5	66.7
Union	25	21	4	84.0
TOTAL	115	68	47	59.1
<u>21ST DISTRICT</u>				
Forsyth	196	182	14	92.9
<u>22ND DISTRICT</u>				
Alexander	7	5	2	71.4
Davidson	84	66½	17½	79.2
Davie	10	4	6	40.0
Iredell	53	42½	10½	80.2
TOTAL	154	118	36	76.6
<u>23RD DISTRICT</u>				
Alleghany	10	3	7	30.0
Ashe	5	2	3	40.0
Wilkes	50	38	12	76.0
Yadkin	13	7	6	53.8
TOTAL	78	50	28	64.1
<u>24TH DISTRICT</u>				
Avery	7	4½	2½	64.3
Madison	21	10½	10½	50.0
Mitchell	10	3	7	30.0
Watauga	12	6	6	50.0
Yancey	15	8	7	53.3
TOTAL	65	32	33	49.2
<u>25TH DISTRICT</u>				
Burke	24	19½	4½	81.3
Caldwell	40	33	7	82.5
Catawba	29	26½	2½	91.4
TOTAL	93	79	14	84.9
<u>26TH DISTRICT</u>				
Mecklenburg	399	375½	23½	94.1

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
<u>27TH DISTRICT</u>				
Cleveland	48	38	10	79.2
Gaston	90	69½	20½	77.2
Lincoln	10	6	4	60.0
TOTAL	148	113½	34½	76.7
<u>28TH DISTRICT</u>				
Buncombe	183	154	29	84.2
<u>29TH DISTRICT</u>				
Henderson	30	20½	9½	68.3
McDowell	10	4	6	40.0
Polk	10	4	6	40.0
Rutherford	30	25	5	83.3
Transylvania	10	5	5	50.0
TOTAL	90	58½	31½	65.0
<u>30TH DISTRICT</u>				
Cherokee	5	4½	½	90.0
Clay	2	2	0	100.0
Graham	12	7	5	58.3
Haywood	30	20½	9½	68.3
Jackson	12	9	3	75.0
Macon	7	6	1	85.7
Swain	9	5	4	55.6
TOTAL	77	54	23	70.1
Group I	2,930	2,239	691	76.4
Group II	723	512½	210½	70.9
GRAND TOTAL	3,653	2,751½	901½	75.3

SUPERIOR COURT CRIMINAL DOCKETS

In this report last year, concern was expressed about the state of the superior court criminal dockets. It was observed that in years prior to 1970 the court had been able to dispose of approximately the same number of cases that were added to its docket, with only minor increases in the number of cases pending at the end of the year. It was concluded that the 1970 statistics indicated a reversal of this trend. The 1971 statistics bear out this analysis, since dispositions again fell well below filings.

In the 83 counties where the district court was in operation in both 1970 and 1971, 32,212 cases were filed in 1971 but the court was able to dispose of only 28,772. Consequently, the number of cases pending at the end of the year increased from 12,146 in 1970 to 15,586 in 1971. As compared to 1970, filings increased by 10.5%, dispositions increased by 9.9% and the number of cases pending at the end of the year increased by 28.3%. The number of days of court held in these counties increased from 3,564 to 3,844 or 7.9%. The percentage of court utilization increased from 86.4% to 88.4%.

The percentage increases between 1969 and 1970 and 1970 and 1971 are strikingly similar. In 1970, filings increased by 12.3% and in 1971 by 10.5%; dispositions in 1970 increased by 1.5% and in 1971 by 9.9% (approximately 30 additional assistant solicitors were at work during the last several months of the year); in 1970, the number pending at the end of the year increased by 32.3% and in 1971 by 28.3%. The rate of disposition (the percentage of filings which were disposed of) in 1969 was 99.4%, in 1970 it was 89.8% and in 1971, 89.3%.

It is apparent that one of two things must occur in order to curb the large increases in the numbers of cases pending at the end of the year: there must be a stabilization or reduction in the number of filings with dispositions remaining constant or there must be a significant increase in dispositions. The former is unlikely to occur, so attention must be devoted to the latter. Assuming that filings increase by another 10% in 1972, dispositions must increase by at least 23.1% in order to prevent a further increase in the number of cases pending. To achieve this, a disposition rate of 100% would be required. However, if dispositions in 1972 increase by only 10% and filings again increase by 10%, the number of cases pending at the end of 1972 will increase by approximately 25%. Under these conditions, the disposition rate would remain at 89.3%.

Among all 100 counties, the 10 counties with the largest criminal dockets accounted for 41.2% of the total cases pending at the end of the year. Fifty-four counties had 100 or few-

er cases pending and 11 counties had more than 500 cases pending. In 1970, only 7 counties had more than 500 cases pending.

The conclusions drawn from an analysis of the data from the entire State cannot be applied indiscriminately to any particular county. The state of the criminal dockets is dependent upon a number of variables that may differ widely from county to county. Counties may be ranked or compared on the basis of a number of indicators, e.g., the actual number of filings or the percentage increase in filings; the actual number of dispositions or the percentage increase in dispositions; and the actual number of cases pending at the end of the year or the percentage increase in the number of cases pending at the end of the year. The two charts at the end of this section make the latter comparisons.

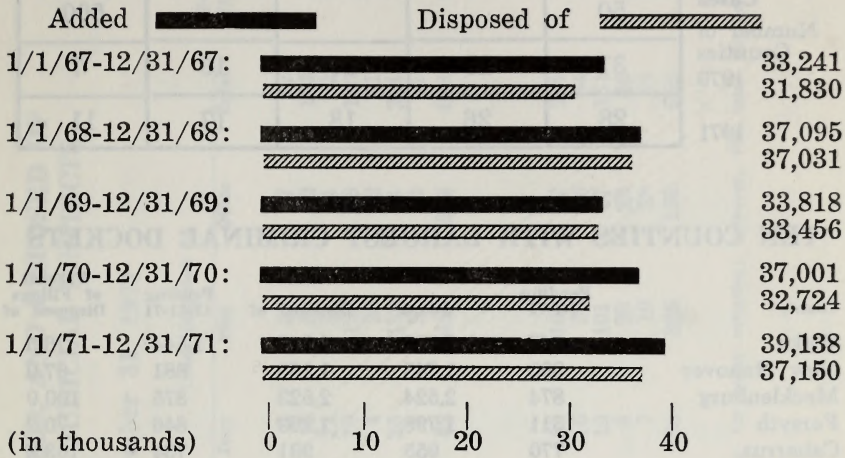
In the order named, Wake, Mecklenburg, Guilford, Forsyth and New Hanover had the largest number of cases filed in 1971. Among the counties that exceeded the statewide average for filings, the following counties had the largest percentage increases in filings between 1970 and 1971: Cleveland (144.7%), Durham (56.3%), New Hanover (55.1%), Gaston (49.5%), and Wake (48.7%).

Mecklenburg disposed of the most cases in 1971, followed in order by Wake, Guilford, Iredell and Cumberland. Among the counties that exceeded the statewide average for dispositions, the following counties made the most significant increases over 1970: Craven (158.4%), Randolph (141.0%), Pitt (107.1%), Rowan (81.3%), and Iredell (57.6%). In three of these counties, the district court was in its first year of operation.

The largest number of jury trials, 370, was held in Mecklenburg in 1971; Wake held 174, Pitt held 119, Cumberland held 113, and Robeson held 110. As would be expected, Mecklenburg led the State in the number of days of criminal court held (444), followed by Wake (309), Guilford (209), Cumberland (181), and Buncombe (177).

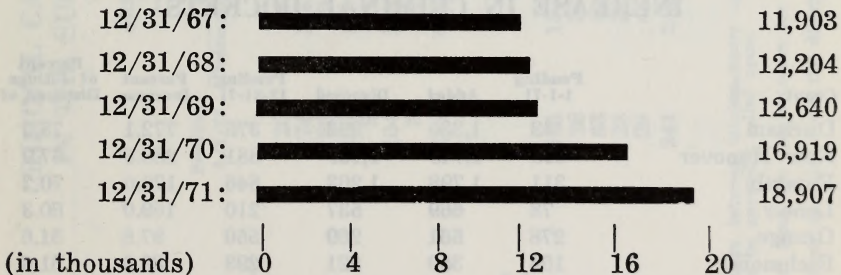
CRIMINAL CASES ADDED AND DISPOSED OF IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

January 1, 1967 - December 31, 1971



CRIMINAL CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

December 31, 1967 - December 31, 1971



DISTRIBUTION OF PENDING CRIMINAL CASES AMONG THE COUNTIES

Number of Cases Number of Counties 1970 1971	Less than 50	50-100	101-200	201-500	Over 500
	31	23	20	19	7
	28	26	18	17	11

TEN COUNTIES WITH LARGEST CRIMINAL DOCKETS

County	Pending 1-1-71	Added	Disposed of	Pending 12-31-71	Percent of Filings Disposed of
Wake	947	2,539	1,942	1,544	76.5
New Hanover	305	1,745	1,169	881	67.0
Mecklenburg	874	2,524	2,523	875	100.0
Forsyth	311	1,798	1,263	846	70.2
Cabarrus	770	955	991	734	103.8
Alamance	369	722	458	633	63.4
Guilford	602	1,940	1,940	602	100.0
Rowan	708	594	727	575	122.4
Orange	278	561	289	550	51.5
Buncombe	401	790	643	548	81.4
STATE MEAN	169	391	372	189	94.9

TEN COUNTIES WITH LARGEST PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN CRIMINAL DOCKETS¹

County	Pending 1-1-71	Added	Disposed	Pending 12-31-71	Percent Increase	Percent of Filings Disposed of
Durham	43	1,330	998	375	772.1	75.0
New Hanover	305	1,745	1,169	881	288.5	67.0
Forsyth	311	1,798	1,263	846	172.0	70.2
Lenoir	78	669	537	210	169.0	80.3
Orange	278	561	289	550	97.8	51.6
Richmond	155	359	221	293	89.0	61.6
Alamance	369	722	458	633	71.5	63.4
Wake	947	2,539	1,942	1,544	63.0	76.5
Gaston	287	843	683	447	55.7	81.0
Nash	198	705	600	303	53.0	85.1
STATE MEAN	169	391	372	189	11.8	94.9

1—Excluding counties with less than the statewide average of 189 cases pending on December 31, 1971.

CRIMINAL CASES PENDING, ADDED, AND DISPOSED OF IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS BY JUDICIAL DISTRICTS

January 1, 1971 — December 31, 1971

	Cases Filed*		Cases Disposed Of			Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss		
	Pending 1/1/71	Misdemeanors ¹ Felonies ²	Total	Jury	Plea			Other	Total
1ST DISTRICT									
Camden	20	45	51	9	31	17	57	14	6
Chowan	74	114	175	8	84	62	154	95	21
Currituck	68	29	37	12	36	14	62	43	25
Dare	130	171	217	19	123	53	195	152	22
Gates	9	39	53	4	25	12	41	21	12
Pasquotank	104	253	253	28	132	94	254	103	1
Perquimans	9	47	57	2	25	14	41	25	16
TOTAL	414	698	843	82	456	266	804	453	39
2ND DISTRICT									
Beaufort	105	180	276	59	163	62	284	97	8
Hyde	26	33	41	16	22	16	54	13	13
Martin	53	60	161	13	101	37	151	63	10
Tyrrell	28	22	28	3	20	23	46	10	18
Washington	29	48	68	7	19	28	54	43	14
TOTAL	241	343	574	98	325	166	589	226	15

* The division of filings between misdemeanors and felones is obviously in error for some counties; however, the total number of filings in the Superior Court may be generally relied upon.

1. All cases on appeal from the district court for trial *de novo*.

2. All cases except those appealed from the district court for trial *de novo*.

	Cases Filed*			Total	Cases Disposed Of			Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss
	Pending 1/1/71	Misdemeanors ¹	Felonies ²		Jury	Plea	Other		
3RD DISTRICT									
Carteret	333	179	135	314	34	123	201	289	44
Craven	477	276	224	500	83	194	351	349	128
Pamlico	32	24	3	27	2	33	3	21	11
Pitt	481	525	399	924	119	399	420	467	14
TOTAL	1,323	1,004	761	1,765	238	749	975	1,126	197
4TH DISTRICT									
Duplin	14	99	118	217	28	132	35	36	22
Jones	3	23	8	31	10	10	9	5	2
Onslow	53	187	188	375	70	178	100	80	27
Sampson	87	87	129	216	19	129	57	98	11
TOTAL	157	396	443	839	127	449	201	219	62
5TH DISTRICT									
New Hanover	305	934	811	1,745	80	829	260	881	576
Pender	53	84	60	144	13	63	49	72	19
TOTAL	358	1,018	871	1,889	93	892	309	953	595
6TH DISTRICT									
Bertie	17	25	27	52	6	36	7	20	3
Halifax	76	104	128	232	14	143	97	54	22
Hertford	27	39	44	83	18	32	27	33	6
Northampton	25	25	38	63	8	20	25	35	10
TOTAL	145	193	237	430	46	231	156	142	3

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	Pending 1/1/71	Cases Filed*		Cases Disposed Of			Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss
		Misdemeanors ¹	Felonies ²	Jury	Plea	Other		
<u>7TH DISTRICT</u>								
Edgecombe	112	307	194	29	350	132	511	10
Nash	198	428	277	54	395	151	600	+
Wilson	270	400	107	51	383	263	697	105
TOTAL	580	1,135	578	134	1,128	546	1,808	190
			1,713				485	95
<u>8TH DISTRICT</u>								
Greene	24	82	25	17	53	28	98	9
Lenoir	78	479	190	46	202	289	537	132
Wayne	472	307	223	58	245	240	543	13
TOTAL	574	868	438	121	500	557	1,178	+
			1,306				702	128
<u>9TH DISTRICT</u>								
Franklin	241	264	68	25	189	115	329	3
Granville	108	203	111	26	171	81	278	36
Person	82	196	139	30	170	104	304	31
Vance	135	225	82	22	177	111	310	3
Warren	68	81	30	15	66	35	116	5
TOTAL	634	969	430	118	773	446	1,337	62
			1,399				696	+
<u>10TH DISTRICT</u>								
Wake	947	1,251	1,288	174	1,246	522	1,942	+
			2,539				1,544	597

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	Cases Filed*			Cases Disposed Of				Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss
	Pending 1/1/71	Misdemeanors ¹	Felonies ²	Total	Jury	Plea	Other	Total	
11TH DISTRICT									
Harnett	100	80	167	247	16	87	102	205	42
Johnston	107	193	189	382	31	188	133	352	30
Lee	123	109	113	222	6	95	58	159	63
TOTAL	330	382	469	851	53	370	293	716	135
12TH DISTRICT									
Cumberland	471	364	845	1,209	113	461	743	1,317	108
Hoke	49	102	35	137	12	54	58	124	13
TOTAL	520	466	880	1,346	125	515	801	1,441	95
13TH DISTRICT									
Bladen	60	90	108	198	17	92	72	181	17
Brunswick	62	94	95	189	11	38	21	70	119
Columbus	31	138	116	254	25	134	36	195	59
TOTAL	153	322	319	641	53	264	129	446	195
14TH DISTRICT									
Durham	43	359	971	1,330	106	594	298	998	332
15TH DISTRICT									
Alamance	369	260	462	722	40	146	272	458	264
Chatham	91	59	110	169	15	69	40	124	45
Orange	278	552	9	561	14	75	200	289	272
TOTAL	738	871	581	1,452	69	290	512	871	581

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	Cases Filled*			Cases Disposed Of			Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss
	Pending 1/1/71	Misdemeanors ¹	Felonies ²	Jury	Plea	Other		
16TH DISTRICT								
Robeson	232	268	392	110	378	179	667	7
Scotland	122	101	162	18	212	88	318	55
TOTAL	354	369	554	128	590	267	985	62
17TH DISTRICT								
Caswell	93	135	17	8	133	66	207	55
Rockingham	423	719	0	53	511	494	1,058	339
Stokes	63	100	4	26	66	7	99	5
Surry	223	228	60	48	270	121	439	151
TOTAL	802	1,182	81	135	980	688	1,803	540
18TH DISTRICT								
Guilford—								
Greensboro	490	567	970	63	1,004	531	1,598	61
High Point	112	178	225	27	206	109	342	61
TOTAL	602	745	1,195	90	1,210	640	1,940	0
19TH DISTRICT								
Cabarrus	770	953	2	91	408	492	991	36
Montgomery	42	164	122	22	125	70	217	69
Randolph	523	493	120	68	417	450	935	322
Rowan	708	379	215	42	390	295	727	133
TOTAL	2,043	1,989	459	223	1,340	1,307	2,870	422

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	Cases Filed*			Total	Cases Disposed Of				Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss
	Pending 1/1/71	Misdemeanors ¹	Felonies ²		Jury	Plea	Other	Total		
20TH DISTRICT										
Anson	174	191	85	276	38	99	89	226	224	50
Moore	140	142	147	289	29	116	114	259	170	30
Richmond	155	197	162	359	22	92	107	221	293	138
Stanly	262	160	104	264	16	92	86	194	332	70
Union	354	211	250	461	42	121	140	303	512	158
TOTAL	1,085	901	748	1,649	147	520	536	1,203	1,531	446
21ST DISTRICT										
Forsyth	311	1,012	786	1,798	96	583	584	1,263	846	535
22ND DISTRICT										
Alexander	129	219	29	248	9	188	118	315	62	67
Davidson	455	360	218	578	64	427	295	786	247	208
Davie	71	128	13	141	13	69	49	131	81	10
Iredell	740	691	282	973	51	1,117	172	1,340	373	367
TOTAL	1,395	1,398	542	1,940	137	1,801	634	2,572	763	632
23RD DISTRICT										
Alleghany	27	15	21	36	11	10	23	44	19	8
Ashe	31	23	51	74	3	45	39	87	18	13
Wilkes	45	168	117	285	31	104	129	264	66	21
Yadkin	29	54	36	90	16	46	33	95	24	5
TOTAL	132	260	225	485	61	205	224	490	127	5

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24TH DISTRICT

	Pending 1/1/71	Cases Filed*			Cases Disposed Of				Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss
		Misdemeanors ¹	Felonies ²	Total	Jury	Plea	Other	Total		
Avery	43	27	39	66	1	50	7	58	51	+
Madison	72	45	16	61	18	18	40	76	57	—
Mitchell	41	39	14	53	10	40	14	64	30	—
Watauga	46	46	51	97	16	45	26	87	56	+
Yancey	19	25	9	34	7	23	20	50	3	—
TOTAL	221	182	129	311	52	176	107	335	197	—

25TH DISTRICT

Burke	155	180	130	310	81	133	134	348	117	—
Caldwell	163	230	120	350	54	200	161	415	98	—
Catawba	102	319	217	536	29	252	228	509	129	+
TOTAL	420	729	467	1,196	164	585	523	1,272	344	—

26TH DISTRICT

Mecklenburg	874	813	1,711	2,524	370	983	1,170	2,523	875	+
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27TH DISTRICT

Cleveland	24	280	158	438	36	170	90	296	166	+
Gaston	287	553	290	843	98	253	332	683	447	+
Lincoln	135	140	102	242	12	137	39	188	189	+
TOTAL	446	973	550	1,523	146	560	461	1,167	802	+

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	Pending 1/1/71	Misdemeanors ¹	Felonies ²	Total	Jury	Plea	Other	Total		
28TH DISTRICT										
Buncombe	401	326	464	790	60	329	254	643	548	+ 147
29TH DISTRICT										
Henderson	164	137	119	256	31	82	216	329	91	—
McDowell	64	86	42	128	28	36	39	103	89	+ 25
Polk	53	19	16	35	3	18	32	53	35	+ 18
Rutherford	50	196	92	288	48	105	112	265	73	+ 23
Transylvania	70	24	50	74	26	35	63	124	20	+ 50
TOTAL	401	462	319	781	136	276	462	874	308	— 93
30TH DISTRICT										
Cherokee	52	44	35	79	1	22	75	98	33	— 19
Clay	17	12	9	21	0	18	10	28	10	— 7
Graham	26	29	7	36	0	27	0	27	35	+ 9
Haywood	104	173	124	297	11	155	76	242	159	+ 55
Jackson	46	23	74	97	2	80	30	112	31	+ 15
Macon	17	23	28	51	6	13	26	45	23	+ 6
Swain	13	24	45	69	0	38	24	62	20	+ 7
TOTAL	275	328	322	650	20	353	241	614	311	+ 36
Group I	12,146	16,789	15,423	32,212	2,986	14,618	11,168	28,772	15,586	+ 3,440
Per Cent		52.1	47.9	100%	10.4	50.8	38.8	100%		
Group II	4,773	5,155	1,771	6,926	616	4,655	3,107	8,378	3,321	— 1,452
Per Cent		74.4	25.6	100%	7.3	55.6	37.1	100%		
GRAND TOTAL	16,919	21,944	17,194	39,138	3,602	19,273	14,275	37,150	18,907	+ 1,988
Per Cent		56.1	43.9	100%	9.7	51.9	38.4	100%		

* The division of filings between misdemeanors and felonies is obviously in error for some counties; however, the total number of filings in the Superior Court may be generally relied upon.

1. All cases on appeal from the district court for trial *de novo*.
2. All cases except those appealed from the district court for trial *de novo*.

UTILIZATION OF CRIMINAL SUPERIOR COURT TERMS BY JUDICIAL DISTRICTS

1971 Calendar Year

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
<u>1ST DISTRICT</u>				
Camden	10	9	1	90.0
Chowan	18	18	0	100.0
Currituck	10	9	1	90.0
Dare	30	29	1	96.7
Gates	10	7	3	70.0
Pasquotank	40	36½	3½	91.3
Perquimans	9	7	2	77.8
TOTAL	127	115½	11½	90.9
<u>2ND DISTRICT</u>				
Beaufort	65	63	2	96.9
Hyde	15	12	3	80.0
Martin	20	17	3	85.0
Tyrrell	15	6	9	40.0
Washington	15	12	3	80.0
TOTAL	130	110	20	84.6
<u>3RD DISTRICT</u>				
Carteret	45	42½	2½	94.4
Craven	105	98½	6½	93.8
Pamlico	9	5½	3½	61.1
Pitt	115	105½	9½	91.7
TOTAL	274	252	22	92.0
<u>4TH DISTRICT</u>				
Duplin	40	30	10	75.0
Jones	12	7	5	58.3
Onslow	64	53½	10½	83.6
Sampson	45	36	9	80.0
TOTAL	161	126½	34½	78.6
<u>5TH DISTRICT</u>				
New Hanover	118	104½	13½	88.6
Pender	20	18	2	90.0
TOTAL	138	122½	15½	88.8
<u>6TH DISTRICT</u>				
Bertie	17	14	3	82.4
Halifax	35	28½	6½	81.4
Hertford	18	13	5	72.2
Northampton	15	10	5	66.7
TOTAL	85	65½	19½	77.1
<u>7TH DISTRICT</u>				
Edgecombe	40	32	8	80.0
Nash	43	39	4	90.7
Wilson	65	56	9	86.2
TOTAL	148	127	21	85.8

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
<u>8TH DISTRICT</u>				
Greene	18	14	4	77.7
Lenoir	70	59½	10½	85.0
Wayne	95	89½	5½	94.2
TOTAL	183	163	20	89.1
<u>9TH DISTRICT</u>				
Franklin	34	32	2	94.1
Granville	25	20	5	80.0
Person	25	20	5	80.0
Vance	36	32	4	88.9
Warren	20	17	3	85.0
TOTAL	140	121	19	86.4
<u>10TH DISTRICT</u>				
Wake	310	309	1	99.7
<u>11TH DISTRICT</u>				
Harnett	30	29	1	96.7
Johnston	39	36	3	92.3
Lee	25	24	1	96.0
TOTAL	94	89	5	94.7
<u>12TH DISTRICT</u>				
Cumberland	213	181	32	85.0
Hoke	17	14	3	82.4
TOTAL	230	195	35	84.8
<u>13TH DISTRICT</u>				
Bladen	15	14	1	93.3
Brunswick	15	13	2	86.7
Columbus	42	36	6	85.7
TOTAL	72	63	9	87.5
<u>14TH DISTRICT</u>				
Durham	166	152	14	91.6
<u>15TH DISTRICT</u>				
Alamance	65	58	7	89.2
Chatham	15	12½	2½	83.3
Orange	49	43½	5½	88.8
TOTAL	129	114	15	88.4
<u>16TH DISTRICT</u>				
Robeson	101	95	6	94.1
Scotland	30	27½	2½	91.7
TOTAL	131	122½	8½	93.5

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
<u>17TH DISTRICT</u>				
Caswell	14	12½	1½	89.3
Rockingham	74	73	1	98.6
Stokes	15	12	3	80.0
Surry	40	33	7	82.5
TOTAL	143	130½	12½	91.3
<u>18TH DISTRICT</u>				
Guilford	258	209	49	81.0
<u>19TH DISTRICT</u>				
Cabarrus	60	50	10	83.3
Montgomery	25	19	6	76.0
Randolph	63	53	10	84.1
Rowan	54	42	12	77.8
TOTAL	202	164	38	81.2
<u>20TH DISTRICT</u>				
Anson	33	29	4	87.9
Moore	35	32	3	91.4
Richmond	33	31	2	93.9
Stanly	33	32	1	97.0
Union	25	21	4	84.0
TOTAL	159	145	14	91.2
<u>21ST DISTRICT</u>				
Forsyth	186	176	10	94.6
<u>22ND DISTRICT</u>				
Alexander	15	14	1	93.3
Davidson	70	59	11	84.3
Davie	15	14	1	93.3
Iredell	60	54	6	90.0
TOTAL	160	141	19	88.1
<u>23RD DISTRICT</u>				
Alleghany	10	5	5	50.0
Ashe	15	9	6	60.0
Wilkes	44	32	12	72.7
Yadkin	20	12½	7½	62.5
TOTAL	89	58½	30½	65.7
<u>24TH DISTRICT</u>				
Avery	8	4	4	50.0
Madison	24	22	2	91.7
Mitchell	14	14	0	100.0
Watauga	13	12	1	92.3
Yancey	18	11	7	61.1
TOTAL	77	63	14	81.8
<u>25TH DISTRICT</u>				
Burke	53	47½	5½	89.6
Caldwell	50	50	0	100.0
Catawba	74	70	4	94.6
TOTAL	177	167½	9½	94.6

<u>26TH DISTRICT</u>	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
Mecklenburg	466	443½	22½	95.2
<u>27TH DISTRICT</u>				
Cleveland	55	43	12	78.2
Gaston	171	165½	5½	96.8
Lincoln	29	24½	4½	84.5
TOTAL	255	233	22	91.4
<u>28TH DISTRICT</u>				
Buncombe	199	177	22	88.9
<u>29TH DISTRICT</u>				
Henderson	35	30	5	85.7
McDowell	33	19	14	57.6
Polk	10	7	3	70.0
Rutherford	40	34	6	85.0
Transylvania	25	16	9	64.0
TOTAL	143	106	37	74.1
<u>30TH DISTRICT</u>				
Cherokee	15	5½	9½	36.7
Clay	8	1½	6½	18.8
Graham	8	5	3	62.5
Haywood	28	16	12	57.1
Jackson	20	12	8	60.0
Macon	17	6½	10½	38.2
Swain	11	7	4	63.6
TOTAL	107	53½	53½	50.0
Group I	4,346	3,844	502	88.4
Group II	793	671	122	84.6
GRAND TOTAL	5,139	4,515	624	87.9

THE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION

1971 marks the first year in which the district court system has operated in all 100 counties for an entire year. It has been operational in 22 counties for 5 years and in 61 counties for 3 years. The system is now reaching maturity, and most of the statistical measures indicate that this high-volume court is keeping reasonably abreast of its dockets. Both civil and criminal dispositions increased over 1970 and there was a reduction in the number of civil and criminal cases pending at the end of 1971 as compared to 1970.

The number of days of civil court held in the 83 counties increased from 5,885 in 1970 to 6,375 in 1971, or 8.3%. The number of days of criminal court held was almost identical, 10,670 in 1970 and 10,668 in 1971. District court judges were assigned to hold court out of their own districts for 178 days in 1971. In 1970, judges held 237 days of court in judicial districts other than their own.

This is the first year that separate statistics have been compiled on juvenile cases in the district courts. The tables found on pages 61 and 69 are a departure from the case flow statistics which appear elsewhere in this report. Since the volume of juvenile cases is not great and as a matter of law cases are required to be disposed of speedily, the need for a measure of "ins and outs" in an effort to examine "backlogs" was not essential. Instead, the first table presents a picture of the numbers and types of offenses and conditions alleged to have been committed by or to have existed among juveniles during the year. The second table indicates the number and types of adjudicatory hearings held by the court during the year and whether or not the hearing resulted in further action being taken by the court.

DISTRICT COURT CIVIL DOCKETS

In the 83 counties where the district court was in operation in both 1970 and 1971, filings decreased by 3.7%, dispositions increased by 1.9% and the number of cases pending at the end of the year decreased by 1.8%. These comparisons are not entirely valid since in 1970 juvenile cases were counted as civil cases and in 1971 they are reported separately. Had juvenile cases been included in the civil tabulations, there would have been a small increase in the number of filings and a larger increase in the number of dispositions.

Among all 100 counties, the 10 counties with the largest civil dockets accounted for 44.1% of the total civil cases pending. In the 83 counties, 45 counties had 300 or fewer cases pending at the end of the year and only 9 counties had more

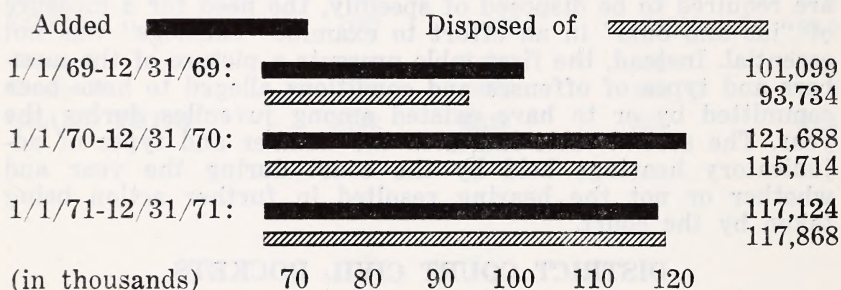
than 1,000 cases pending. The rate of disposition for all 100 counties was 99.9% and many counties were able to dispose of more cases than were filed.

Small claims continue to account for more than one-half of the civil filings. Of the 134,837 cases filed in all 100 counties in 1971, 62% were small claims, 14.3% were domestic matters, and 23.7% were regular civil actions in which a hearing before a district court judge was requested. Of the 134,583 cases which were disposed of, 21.5% were handled by a judge without a jury, a jury was impaneled in 2.3% of the cases, magistrates disposed of 58.8%, and the remaining 17.4% were disposed of by other means.

It is interesting to compare the civil dockets of the district and superior courts. Juries were impaneled in 857 superior court cases and in 3,025 district court cases. Superior Court judges disposed of 3,814 cases without a jury and district court judges disposed of 28,912 such cases. These figures clearly indicate the role of the district court in reducing the activity on the civil side of superior court.

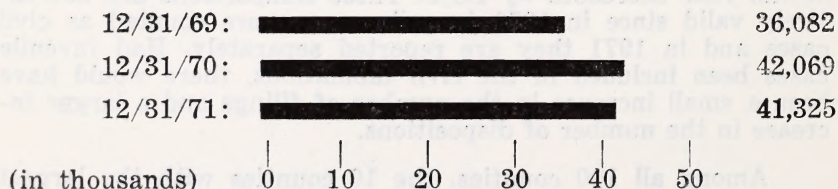
CIVIL CASES ADDED AND DISPOSED OF IN THE DISTRICT COURT¹

January 1, 1969 - December 31, 1971



CIVIL CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURT¹

December 31, 1969 - December 31, 1971



¹—Includes the 83 counties where the district court has been operational for three or more years. The 17 counties (Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Buncombe, Cabarrus, Caswell, Davidson, Davie, Iredell, Montgomery, Randolph, Rockingham, Rowan, Stokes, Surry, Wilkes and Yadkin) which were activated in December, 1970, are excluded.

DISTRIBUTION OF PENDING CIVIL CASES AMONG THE COUNTIES¹

Number of Cases	Less than 100	101-300	301-500	501-1000	Over 1000
Number of Counties 1970	23	24	13	12	11
1971	25	20	14	15	9

TEN COUNTIES WITH LARGEST CIVIL DOCKETS

County	Pending 1-1-71	Added	Disposed of	Pending 12-31-71	Percent of Filings Disposed of
Guilford	4,243	12,911	13,213	3,941	102.3
Mecklenburg	5,428	14,533	16,036	3,925	110.3
Wake	1,698	8,663	7,538	2,823	87.0
Cumberland	2,101	4,195	3,941	2,355	93.9
Durham	1,500	6,704	6,514	1,690	97.2
Robeson	1,618	2,541	2,488	1,671	97.9
New Hanover	1,574	2,616	2,942	1,248	112.5
Onslow	1,339	1,950	2,100	1,189	107.7
Gaston	1,002	3,647	3,571	1,078	97.9
Surry	370	2,124	1,443	1,051	67.9
STATE MEAN	473	1,348	1,346	475	99.9

1—Includes the 83 counties where the district court has been operational for three or more years. The 17 counties (Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Buncombe, Cabarrus, Caswell, Davidson, Davie, Iredell, Montgomery, Randolph, Rockingham, Rowan, Stokes, Surry, Wilkes and Yadkin) which were activated in December, 1970, are excluded.

CIVIL CASES PENDING, ADDED, AND DISPOSED OF IN THE DISTRICT COURTS BY TYPE OF CASE AND MANNER OF DISPOSITION

January 1, 1971 — December 31, 1971

	Pending 1/1/71	Cases Filed			Cases Disposed Of				Total	Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss	
		Small Claims ¹	Domestic ²	Other	Total	By Jury	By Judge	By Magistrate				Other
1ST DISTRICT												
Camden	22	203	12	4	219	2	2	169	30	203	38	+
Chowan	38	180	0	122	302	1	29	216	47	293	47	+
Currituck	55	194	15	16	225	1	11	234	19	265	15	+
Dare	93	232	33	22	287	4	47	227	24	302	78	+
Gates	88	246	7	20	273	0	13	225	31	269	92	+
Pasquotank	106	977	139	151	1,267	10	133	1,016	117	1,276	97	+
Perquimans	55	146	14	14	174	2	9	145	18	174	55	0
TOTAL	457	2,178	220	349	2,747	20	244	2,232	286	2,782	422	—
2ND DISTRICT												
Beaufort	253	606	186	113	905	32	154	607	50	843	315	+
Hyde	18	37	3	7	47	0	10	27	12	49	16	+
Martin	224	494	98	36	628	20	86	487	80	673	179	+
Tyrrell	16	38	1	3	42	0	5	31	14	50	8	+
Washington	76	212	18	55	285	6	21	123	122	272	89	+
TOTAL	587	1,387	306	214	1,907	58	276	1,275	278	1,887	607	+
3RD DISTRICT												
Carteret	383	335	167	174	676	27	149	325	189	690	369	—
Craven	1,015	557	324	335	1,216	51	391	522	488	1,452	779	+
Pamlico	49	93	8	38	139	5	25	75	31	136	52	+
Pitt	571	1,127	307	368	1,802	7	343	1,084	248	1,682	691	+
TOTAL	2,018	2,112	806	915	3,833	90	908	2,006	956	3,960	1,891	—

1. Includes claims for \$300 or less where the principal relief requested is one of those listed in G.S. 7A-210(2) and the plaintiff has requested assignment to a magistrate.

2. Includes domestic relations cases as defined by G.S. 7A-244.

	Pending 1/1/71	Cases Filed			Total	Cases Disposed Of				Total	Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss	
		Small Claims ¹	Domestic ²	Other		By Jury	By Judge	By Magistrate	Other				
4TH DISTRICT													
Duplin	418	896	152	137	1,185	16	339	696	135	1,186	417	1	
Jones	74	56	0	75	131	9	38	70	45	162	43	31	
Onslow	1,339	1,248	549	153	1,950	13	584	1,315	188	2,100	1,189	150	
Sampson	575	697	159	180	1,036	19	212	923	259	1,413	198	377	
TOTAL	2,406	2,897	860	545	4,302	57	1,173	3,004	627	4,861	1,847	559	
5TH DISTRICT													
New Hanover	1,574	1,476	544	596	2,616	106	1,152	1,254	430	2,942	1,248	326	
Pender	314	353	48	125	526	5	46	349	189	589	251	63	
TOTAL	1,888	1,829	592	721	3,142	111	1,198	1,603	619	3,531	1,499	389	
6TH DISTRICT													
Bertie	163	238	22	85	345	13	67	234	89	403	105	58	
Halifax	414	645	209	160	1,014	22	275	575	167	1,039	389	25	
Hertford	313	270	88	109	467	15	129	243	96	483	297	16	
Northampton	189	231	79	48	358	14	108	159	43	324	223	34	
TOTAL	1,079	1,384	398	402	2,184	64	579	1,211	395	2,249	1,014	65	
7TH DISTRICT													
Edgecombe	245	1,236	167	240	1,643	32	240	1,213	128	1,613	275	30	
Nash	376	926	338	243	1,507	89	310	932	178	1,509	374	2	
Wilson	357	1,663	239	270	2,172	17	252	1,603	238	2,110	419	62	
TOTAL	978	3,825	744	753	5,322	138	802	3,748	544	5,232	1,068	90	

1. Includes claims for \$300 or less where the principal relief requested is one of those listed in G.S. 7A-210(2) and the plaintiff has requested assignment to a magistrate.

2. Includes domestic relations cases as defined by G.S. 7A-244.

	Pending 1/1/71	Cases Filed			Cases Disposed Of					Total	Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss	
		Small Claims ¹	Domestic ²	Other	Total	By Jury	By Judge	By Magistrate	Other				
<i>8TH DISTRICT</i>													
Greene	53	137	40	14	191	2	43	106	20	171	73	+ 20	
Lenoir	1,692	869	245	518	1,632	89	505	1,513	732	2,839	485	-1,207	
Wayne	727	993	482	779	2,254	40	496	944	544	2,024	957	+ 230	
TOTAL	2,472	1,999	767	1,311	4,077	131	1,044	2,563	1,296	5,034	1,515	- 957	
<i>9TH DISTRICT</i>													
Franklin	350	472	143	111	726	8	136	429	75	648	428	+ 78	
Granville	282	428	36	113	577	10	53	433	155	651	208	- 74	
Person	545	1,158	10	147	1,315	5	137	903	33	1,078	782	+ 237	
Vance	422	753	13	364	1,130	0	21	943	205	1,169	383	- 39	
Warren	236	200	46	25	271	5	12	173	68	258	249	+ 13	
TOTAL	1,835	3,011	248	760	4,019	28	359	2,881	536	3,804	2,050	+ 215	
<i>10TH DISTRICT</i>													
Wake	1,698	5,741	1,179	1,743	8,663	180	785	5,220	1,353	7,538	2,823	+ 1,125	
<i>11TH DISTRICT</i>													
Harnett	732	612	188	503	1,303	26	180	573	296	1,075	960	+ 228	
Johnston	901	910	22	708	1,640	27	335	799	443	1,604	937	+ 36	
Lee	479	573	169	254	996	23	151	571	85	830	645	+ 166	
TOTAL	2,112	2,095	379	1,465	3,939	76	666	1,943	824	3,509	2,542	+ 430	
<i>12TH DISTRICT</i>													
Cumberland	2,101	2,296	1,250	649	4,195	152	942	2,138	709	3,941	2,355	+ 254	
Hoke	199	140	0	184	324	8	59	140	152	359	164	- 35	
TOTAL	2,300	2,436	1,250	833	4,519	160	1,001	2,278	861	4,300	2,519	+ 219	

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2. Includes domestic relations cases as defined by G.S. 7A-244.

	Pending 1/1/71	Cases Filed			Total	Cases Disposed Of				Total	Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss
		Small Claims ¹	Domestic ²	Other		By Jury	By Judge	By Magistrate	Other			
<u>13TH DISTRICT</u>												
Bladen	118	464	76	92	632	20	60	397	115	592	158	+ 40
Brunswick	249	455	86	120	661	10	84	423	71	588	322	+ 73
Columbus	620	645	192	267	1,104	56	210	536	173	975	749	+ 129
TOTAL	987	1,564	354	479	2,397	86	354	1,356	359	2,155	1,229	+ 242
<u>14TH DISTRICT</u>												
Durham	1,500	4,843	869	992	6,704	76	1,125	4,203	1,110	6,514	1,690	+ 190
<u>15TH DISTRICT</u>												
Alamance	599	1,328	578	310	2,216	47	517	1,312	305	2,181	634	+ 35
Chatham	156	500	93	115	708	11	107	313	118	549	315	+ 159
Orange	394	303	142	330	775	18	226	285	103	632	537	+ 143
TOTAL	1,149	2,131	813	755	3,699	76	850	1,910	526	3,362	1,486	+ 337
<u>16TH DISTRICT</u>												
Robeson	1,618	1,742	68	731	2,541	47	476	1,614	351	2,488	1,671	+ 53
Scotland	226	388	25	236	649	27	99	385	93	604	271	+ 45
TOTAL	1,844	2,130	93	967	3,190	74	575	1,999	444	3,092	1,942	+ 98
<u>17TH DISTRICT</u>												
Caswell	8	223	28	25	276	0	31	209	23	263	21	+ 13
Rockingham	545	672	439	208	1,319	22	465	649	182	1,318	546	+ 1
Stokes	46	267	100	84	451	6	107	216	36	365	132	+ 86
Surry	370	1,732	190	202	2,124	13	166	1,051	213	1,443	1,051	+ 681
TOTAL	969	2,894	757	519	4,170	41	769	2,125	454	3,389	1,750	+ 781

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	Pending 1/1/71	Cases Filed			Cases Disposed Of				Total	Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss	
		Small Claims ¹	Domestic ²		Other	Total	By Jury	By Judge By Magistrate				Other
18TH DISTRICT												
Guilford—												
Greensboro	3,724	6,181	1,254	2,072	9,507	115	1,342	6,535	1,707	9,699	3,532	— 192
High Point	519	2,361	661	382	3,404	81	737	2,408	288	3,514	409	— 110
TOTAL	4,243	8,542	1,915	2,454	12,911	196	2,079	8,943	1,995	13,213	3,941	— 303
19TH DISTRICT												
Cabarrus	581	1,206	441	375	2,022	43	318	803	598	1,762	841	+ 260
Montgomery	28	237	0	93	330	1	59	213	23	296	62	+ 34
Randolph	569	739	295	190	1,224	23	365	516	301	1,205	588	+ 19
Rowan	769	846	374	240	1,460	35	456	750	426	1,667	562	— 207
TOTAL	1,947	3,028	1,110	898	5,036	102	1,198	2,282	1,348	4,930	2,053	+ 106
20TH DISTRICT												
Anson	136	310	60	36	406	7	41	267	93	408	124	— 2
Moore	315	329	28	252	609	14	171	311	69	565	359	+ 44
Richmond	387	518	204	198	920	33	128	501	125	787	520	+ 133
Stanly	204	720	145	139	1,004	12	158	674	94	938	270	+ 66
Union	129	589	198	274	1,061	24	156	571	99	850	340	+ 211
TOTAL	1,171	2,466	635	899	4,000	90	654	2,324	480	3,548	1,623	+ 452
21ST DISTRICT												
Forsyth	860	3,227	1,250	1,552	6,029	153	1,645	3,197	1,041	6,036	853	— 7

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	Pending 1/1/71	Cases Filed			Cases Disposed Of					Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss	
		Small Claims ¹	Cases Filed		Total	Cases Disposed Of						
			Domestic ²	Other		By Jury	By Judge	By Magistrate	Other			Total
22ND DISTRICT												
Alexander	31	164	106	41	311	0	77	160	56	293	49	+ 18
Davidson	653	603	0	778	1,381	47	683	509	276	1,515	519	- 134
Davie	60	97	0	88	185	15	39	90	45	189	56	- 4
Iredell	490	1,101	304	536	1,941	46	307	1,014	577	1,944	487	- 3
TOTAL	1,234	1,965	410	1,443	3,818	108	1,106	1,773	954	3,941	1,111	- 123
23RD DISTRICT												
Alleghany	24	97	33	75	205	5	54	91	46	196	33	+ 9
Ashe	4	193	20	77	290	4	36	181	27	248	46	+ 42
Wilkes	351	470	171	486	1,127	29	203	409	462	1,103	375	+ 24
Yadkin	44	194	90	92	376	16	99	183	32	330	90	+ 46
TOTAL	423	954	314	713	1,998	54	392	864	567	1,877	544	+ 121
24TH DISTRICT												
Avery	87	43	37	57	137	3	43	49	57	152	72	- 15
Madison	72	41	21	38	100	0	60	58	30	148	24	- 48
Mitchell	31	38	27	45	110	4	64	31	16	115	26	- 5
Watauga	18	99	38	28	165	0	49	86	16	151	32	+ 14
Yancey	56	43	27	62	132	6	24	24	44	98	90	+ 34
TOTAL	264	264	150	230	644	13	240	248	163	664	244	- 20
25TH DISTRICT												
Burke	171	663	332	181	1,176	24	322	549	117	1,012	335	+ 164
Caldwell	509	1,007	10	313	1,330	31	212	856	100	1,199	640	+ 131
Catawba	909	1,134	574	495	2,203	76	588	1,171	661	2,496	616	- 293
TOTAL	1,589	2,804	916	989	4,709	131	1,122	2,576	878	4,707	1,591	+ 2

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		Small Claims ¹	Domestic ²	Other	Total	By Jury	By Judge	By Magistrate				Other
<u>26TH DISTRICT</u>												
Mecklenburg	5,428	9,088	699	4,746	14,533	330	3,639	9,189	2,878	16,036	3,925	-1,503
<u>27TH DISTRICT</u>												
Cleveland	934	1,205	299	170	1,674	9	844	1,170	232	2,255	353	-581
Gaston	1,002	2,180	48	1,419	3,647	98	976	2,131	366	3,571	1,978	+76
Lincoln	115	308	22	195	525	11	90	251	131	483	157	+42
TOTAL	2,051	3,693	369	1,784	5,846	118	1,910	3,552	729	6,309	1,588	-463
<u>28TH DISTRICT</u>												
Buncombe	643	1,090	0	1,601	2,691	180	1,167	919	312	2,578	756	+113
<u>29TH DISTRICT</u>												
Henderson	51	254	186	288	728	13	219	239	75	546	233	+182
McDowell	177	292	99	50	441	21	61	342	132	556	62	-115
Polk	41	43	24	12	79	0	19	10	43	72	48	+7
Rutherford	170	452	200	147	799	13	226	426	152	817	152	+18
Transylvania	126	162	101	54	317	9	91	116	26	242	201	-75
TOTAL	565	1,203	610	551	2,364	56	616	1,133	428	2,233	696	+131

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30TH DISTRICT

	Pending 1/1/71	Cases Filed			Cases Disposed Of					Total	Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss
		Small Claims ¹	Domestic ²	Other	Total	By Jury	By Judge	By Magistrate	Other			
Cherokee	129	233	22	79	334	3	28	97	40	168	295	+ 166
Clay	9	51	0	15	66	0	5	45	13	63	12	+ 3
Graham	68	36	6	9	51	0	2	31	0	33	86	+ 18
Haywood	151	200	182	84	466	18	184	191	75	468	149	- 2
Jackson	132	128	3	87	218	4	74	126	53	257	93	- 39
Macon	35	124	39	37	200	2	72	102	22	198	37	- 2
Swain	64	58	28	23	109	1	71	39	14	125	48	- 16
TOTAL	588	830	280	334	1,444	28	436	631	217	1,312	720	+ 132
Group I	42,069	73,679	16,702	26,743	117,124	2,540	24,280	71,225	19,823	117,868	41,325	- 744
Per Cent		62.9	14.3	22.8	100%	2.2	20.6	60.4	16.8	100%		
Group II	5,216	9,931	2,591	5,191	17,713	485	4,632	7,963	3,635	16,715	6,214	+ 998
Per Cent		56.1	14.6	29.3	100%	2.9	27.7	47.7	21.7	100%		
GRAND TOTAL	47,285	83,610	19,293	31,934	134,837	3,025	28,912	79,188	23,458	134,583	47,539	+ 254
Per Cent		62.0	14.3	23.7	100%	2.3	21.5	58.8	17.4	100%		

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DISTRICT COURT CRIMINAL DOCKETS

In the 83 counties where the court was operating in 1970 and 1971, filings increased by 1.2%, dispositions increased by 4.1% and the number of cases pending at the end of the year decreased by 10%.

Among all 100 counties, the 10 counties with the largest criminal dockets accounted for 51.2% of the total number of criminal cases pending. In the 83 counties in both 1970 and 1971, 38 counties had 300 or fewer cases pending. The number of counties with 1,000 or more cases pending dropped from 18 in 1970 to 16 in 1971. The rate of disposition for all 100 counties was 100.4%.

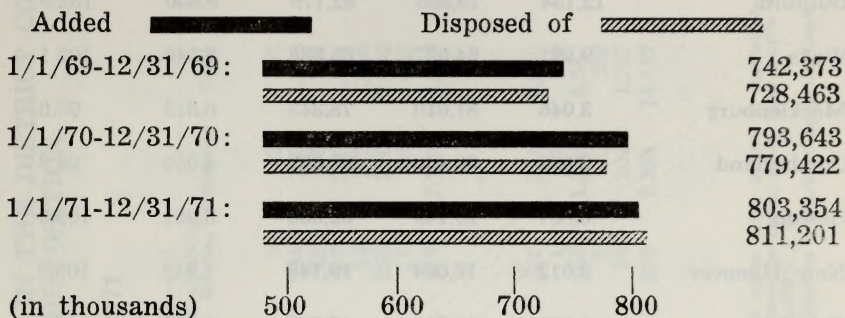
The percentage breakdown for the types of cases handled and the manner of disposition is little changed from 1970. In 1971, 63.1% (593,132) of all criminal cases filed were for violations of the traffic laws. Other criminal offenses (346,835) made up the remaining 36.9%. Only 11.4% of the cases disposed of were contested, requiring a full-fledged trial before a district court judge. A judge or magistrate disposed of 30.1% upon a plea of guilty or *nolo contendere*, and 41.3% were disposed of by a written appearance waiving trial and pleading guilty before a magistrate or clerk. Preliminary hearings constituted only 1.8% of the criminal docket and the remaining 15.4% of total dispositions were terminated by other means. Approximately 65% of all motor vehicle filings were disposed of by waiver.

It is instructive to compare the state of the district and superior court criminal dockets. Assuming that both courts maintained the level of dispositions achieved in 1971 (the highest in history), and no new cases were filed, it would require approximately one month for the district court to dispose of its pending cases. Under the same conditions, it would require six months for the superior court to clean up its dockets. In other words, the present number of cases pending in the district court represents 8.6% of the total number of dispositions in 1971, whereas the same figure for the superior court is 50.9%.

Obviously, the state of the district court dockets is good when compared to the superior court. But the comparison is not necessary to the conclusion that the district court is able to stay reasonably abreast of its dockets. There is no standard that measures what is a "normal" or "proper" number of cases that should be in process at any one period in time, but 80,906 does not appear unreasonable in the face of a case flow approaching one million.

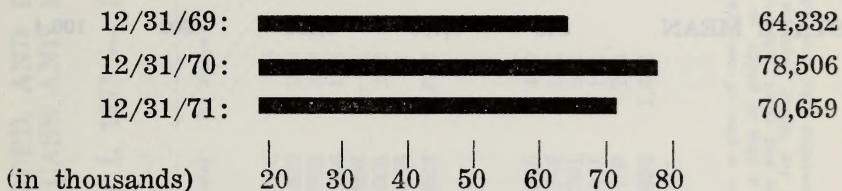
CRIMINAL CASES ADDED AND DISPOSED OF IN THE DISTRICT COURT¹

January 1, 1969 - December 31, 1971



CRIMINAL CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURT¹

December 31, 1969 - December 31, 1971



DISTRIBUTION OF PENDING CRIMINAL CASES AMONG THE COUNTIES¹

Number of Cases	Less than 100	101-300	301-500	501-1000	Over 1000
Number of Counties 1970	12	26	11	16	18
1971	13	25	10	19	16

¹—Includes the 83 counties where the district court has been operational for three or more years. The 17 counties (Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Buncombe, Cabarrus, Caswell, Davidson, Davie, Iredell, Montgomery, Randolph, Rockingham, Rowan, Stokes, Surry, Wilkes and Yadkin) which were activated in December, 1970, are excluded.

TEN COUNTIES WITH LARGEST CRIMINAL DOCKETS

County	Pending 1-1-71	Added	Disposed of	Pending 12-31-71	Percent of Filings Disposed of
Guilford	12,134	79,895	82,179	9,850	102.9
Wake	9,991	64,037	65,388	8,640	102.1
Mecklenburg	3,046	81,610	78,343	6,313	96.0
Cumberland	2,692	36,440	35,082	4,050	96.3
Gaston	6,867	29,149	32,035	3,981	109.9
New Hanover	3,012	18,084	19,148	1,948	105.9
Caldwell	1,952	10,714	10,737	1,929	100.2
Buncombe	1,083	24,425	23,843	1,665	97.6
Davidson	653	13,355	12,369	1,639	92.6
Catawba	1,210	18,706	18,477	1,439	98.8
STATE MEAN	848	9,400	9,439	809	100.4

CRIMINAL CASES PENDING, ADDED, AND DISPOSED OF IN THE DISTRICT COURTS BY TYPE OF CASE AND MANNER OF DISPOSITION

January 1, 1971 — December 31, 1971

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		Motor Vehicle	Other Criminal		By Plea ²	By Waiver ³	Preliminary Hearing		Otherwise			
							Total	Total				
1ST DISTRICT												
Camden	11	579	75	78	654	108	393	7	49	635	30	19
Chowan	189	1,211	611	220	1,822	427	830	131	196	1,804	207	18
Currituck	78	716	236	218	952	232	423	15	43	931	99	21
Dare	104	1,115	531	128	1,646	517	676	47	316	1,684	66	38
Gates	46	871	227	75	1,098	111	694	14	172	1,066	78	32
Pasquotank	119	1,771	894	242	2,665	746	1,151	253	270	2,662	122	3
Perquimans	62	658	198	91	856	174	512	11	60	848	70	8
TOTAL	609	6,921	2,772	1,052	9,693	2,315	4,679	478	1,106	9,630	672	63
2ND DISTRICT												
Beaufort	852	3,570	2,076	410	5,646	899	3,520	297	914	6,040	458	394
Hyde	25	289	257	182	546	145	185	1	41	554	17	8
Martin	257	3,619	1,772	682	5,391	784	2,673	62	1,206	5,387	261	4
Tyrrell	39	214	130	122	344	9	232	6	0	369	14	25
Washington	29	895	874	266	1,769	281	992	24	204	1,767	31	2
TOTAL	1,202	8,587	5,109	1,642	13,696	2,118	7,602	390	2,365	14,117	781	421

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3RD DISTRICT												
Carteret	321	3,997	2,231	6,228	442	2,221	2,438	135	934	6,170	379	+ 58
Craven	619	5,370	3,496	8,866	1,481	2,844	3,236	497	835	8,893	592	- 27
Pamlico	147	670	329	999	193	376	356	3	4	932	214	+ 67
Pitt	1,130	8,547	6,880	15,427	1,771	5,870	4,554	340	2,651	15,186	1,371	+ 241
TOTAL	2,217	18,584	12,936	31,520	3,887	11,311	10,584	975	4,424	31,181	2,556	+ 339
4TH DISTRICT												
Duplin	2,948	4,384	2,413	6,797	1,369	2,295	4,559	93	603	8,919	826	- 2,122
Jones	90	796	480	1,276	403	178	432	9	213	1,235	131	+ 41
Onslow	825	9,208	6,365	15,573	823	5,806	5,024	228	3,391	15,272	1,126	+ 301
Sampson	414	4,620	2,531	7,151	1,248	1,674	3,576	129	87	6,714	851	+ 437
TOTAL	4,277	19,008	11,789	30,797	3,843	9,953	13,591	459	4,294	32,140	2,934	- 1,343
5TH DISTRICT												
New Hanover	3,012	9,654	8,430	18,084	4,752	3,225	5,779	752	4,640	19,148	1,948	- 1,064
Pender	265	2,246	881	3,127	400	1,089	1,187	70	339	3,085	307	+ 42
TOTAL	3,277	11,900	9,311	21,211	5,152	4,314	6,966	822	4,979	22,233	2,255	- 1,022
6TH DISTRICT												
Bertie	123	2,381	780	3,161	343	497	2,111	24	163	3,138	146	+ 23
Halifax	366	6,095	3,968	10,063	1,022	4,139	3,250	118	1,567	10,096	333	- 33
Hertford	168	2,266	1,057	3,323	212	1,102	1,527	33	422	3,296	195	+ 27
Northampton	121	1,569	1,048	2,617	178	933	1,156	26	354	2,647	91	- 30
TOTAL	778	12,311	6,853	19,164	1,755	6,671	8,044	201	2,506	19,177	765	- 13

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7TH DISTRICT												
Edgecombe	473	5,172	3,743	8,915	816	3,373	3,597	190	1,001	8,977	411	62
Nash	549	7,378	3,736	11,114	880	3,288	5,399	198	1,486	11,251	412	137
Wilson	589	6,393	3,034	9,427	600	2,165	4,898	111	1,385	9,159	857	268
TOTAL	1,611	18,943	10,513	29,456	2,296	8,826	13,894	499	3,872	29,387	1,680	+
8TH DISTRICT												
Greene	121	1,541	746	2,287	297	731	997	19	277	2,321	87	34
Lenoir	680	7,058	4,584	11,642	1,468	3,670	4,528	165	1,896	11,727	595	85
Wayne	702	8,432	4,031	12,463	1,552	3,641	5,402	224	1,513	12,332	833	131
TOTAL	1,503	17,031	9,361	26,392	3,317	8,042	10,927	408	3,686	26,380	1,515	+
9TH DISTRICT												
Franklin	474	2,885	1,315	4,200	437	1,054	2,038	88	341	3,958	716	242
Granville	2,939	3,578	1,574	5,152	720	2,787	2,936	229	1,087	7,759	332	-2,607
Person	226	3,295	1,540	4,835	355	1,171	2,598	92	572	4,788	273	47
Vance	310	2,994	2,618	5,612	1,433	983	2,951	227	76	5,670	252	58
Warren	203	1,575	1,002	2,577	315	805	1,244	51	202	2,617	163	40
TOTAL	4,152	14,327	8,049	22,376	3,260	6,800	11,767	687	2,278	24,792	1,736	-2,416
10TH DISTRICT												
Wake	9,991	40,010	24,027	64,037	7,309	13,671	29,385	963	14,060	65,388	8,640	-1,351

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11TH DISTRICT												
Harnett	2,143	5,230	3,976	9,206	233	4,007	4,282	138	1,839	10,499	850	-1,293
Johnston	1,097	9,089	4,541	13,630	1,947	3,612	6,130	170	1,446	13,305	1,422	+ 325
Lee	581	3,094	3,164	6,258	889	1,554	2,853	116	917	6,329	510	- 71
TOTAL	3,821	17,413	11,681	29,094	3,069	9,173	13,265	424	4,202	30,133	2,782	-1,039
12TH DISTRICT												
Cumberland	2,692	23,436	13,004	36,440	2,054	14,437	10,326	470	7,795	35,082	4,050	+1,358
Hoke	283	2,222	1,235	3,457	220	1,283	1,504	35	496	3,488	252	- 31
TOTAL	2,975	25,658	14,239	39,897	2,274	15,670	11,830	505	8,291	38,570	4,302	+1,327
13TH DISTRICT												
Bladen	550	3,134	1,944	5,078	801	1,841	1,579	104	268	4,593	1,035	+ 485
Brunswick	401	3,290	1,766	5,056	1,575	967	1,965	85	100	4,692	765	+ 364
Columbus	736	5,916	3,477	9,393	946	4,732	2,578	109	692	9,057	1,072	+ 336
TOTAL	1,687	12,340	7,187	19,527	3,322	7,540	6,122	298	1,060	18,342	2,872	+1,185
14TH DISTRICT												
Durham	723	15,747	8,652	24,399	2,926	9,028	6,795	279	4,854	23,882	1,240	+ 517
15TH DISTRICT												
Alamance	1,011	10,933	5,806	16,739	2,809	3,841	8,276	101	1,706	16,733	1,017	+ 6
Chatham	262	3,569	1,231	4,800	635	1,224	2,360	8	554	4,781	281	+ 19
Orange	518	4,766	3,310	8,076	1,226	1,700	3,060	205	1,842	8,033	561	+ 43
TOTAL	1,791	19,268	10,347	29,615	4,670	6,765	13,696	314	4,102	29,547	1,859	+ 68

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	Pending 1/1/71	Motor Vehicle	Other Criminal	Total	By Judge ¹	By Plea ² By Waiver ³	Preliminary Hearing	Otherwise	Total	Pending 12/31/71
16TH DISTRICT										
Robeson	399	9,816	6,485	16,301	1,091	7,084	4,729	256	15,724	976 + 577
Scotland	774	2,555	2,220	4,775	634	2,219	1,663	87	5,243	306 - 468
TOTAL	1,173	12,371	8,705	21,076	1,725	9,303	6,392	343	20,967	1,282 + 109
17TH DISTRICT										
Caswell	171	2,227	610	2,837	351	455	1,535	42	2,478	530 + 359
Rockingham	537	8,354	5,026	13,380	1,431	3,857	5,306	678	12,832	1,085 + 548
Stokes	163	2,023	1,086	3,109	500	931	1,395	33	3,086	186 + 23
Surry	416	5,040	2,906	7,946	2,015	1,815	3,097	38	7,613	749 + 333
TOTAL	1,287	17,644	9,628	27,272	4,297	7,088	11,333	791	26,009	2,550 + 1,263
18TH DISTRICT										
Guilford—										
Greensboro	7,735	40,546	16,220	56,766	3,779	22,273	22,872	738	58,344	6,157 - 1,578
High Point	4,399	15,505	7,624	23,129	1,521	6,376	12,374	203	23,835	3,693 - 706
TOTAL	12,134	56,051	23,844	79,895	5,300	28,649	35,246	941	82,179	9,850 - 2,284
19TH DISTRICT										
Cabarrus	671	8,212	5,075	13,287	1,736	3,060	6,623	317	13,185	773 + 102
Montgomery	165	3,242	1,960	5,202	502	854	2,471	248	5,034	333 + 168
Randolph	407	9,524	3,392	12,916	1,139	3,593	6,533	94	12,613	710 + 303
Rowan	317	7,681	3,790	11,471	1,271	2,428	5,953	312	11,160	628 + 311
TOTAL	1,560	28,659	14,217	42,876	4,648	9,935	21,580	971	41,992	2,444 + 884

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	Cases Filed			Cases Disposed of							Pending 12/31/71	Gain or Loss
	Pending 1/1/71	Motor Vehicle	Other Criminal	Total	By Judge ¹	By Plea ²	By Waiver ³	Preliminary Hearing	Otherwise	Total		
<u>20TH DISTRICT</u>												
Anson	292	2,715	2,162	4,877	520	984	2,648	91	635	4,878	291	—
Moore	1,071	4,306	2,816	7,122	491	1,591	3,387	171	1,418	7,058	1,135	+ 64
Richmond	332	4,314	2,500	6,814	157	2,454	2,607	234	957	6,409	737	+ 405
Stanly	477	4,184	2,289	6,473	193	1,481	3,946	99	713	6,432	518	+ 41
Union	86	4,833	2,510	7,343	773	1,807	3,164	268	529	6,541	888	+ 802
TOTAL	2,258	20,352	12,277	32,629	2,134	8,317	15,752	863	4,252	31,318	3,569	+ 1,311
<u>21ST DISTRICT</u>												
Forsyth	1,077	33,535	12,709	46,244	6,021	8,325	23,753	1,143	7,388	46,630	691	— 386
<u>22ND DISTRICT</u>												
Alexander	57	1,640	1,044	2,684	740	407	1,245	67	140	2,599	142	+ 85
Davidson	653	9,166	4,189	13,355	1,886	2,571	6,292	159	1,461	12,369	1,639	+ 986
Dave	204	2,897	288	3,185	343	497	1,977	6	194	3,017	372	+ 168
Iredell	709	8,542	3,419	11,961	3,910	59	5,062	312	2,571	11,914	756	+ 47
TOTAL	1,623	22,245	8,940	31,185	6,879	3,534	14,576	544	4,366	29,899	2,909	+ 1,286
<u>23RD DISTRICT</u>												
Alleghany	55	647	225	872	122	296	393	16	82	909	18	— 37
Ashe	34	921	576	1,497	237	604	425	12	221	1,499	32	— 2
Wilkes	641	4,003	1,954	5,957	665	1,279	2,207	89	1,895	6,135	463	+ 178
Yadkin	58	1,646	883	2,529	380	526	1,287	51	177	2,421	166	+ 108
TOTAL	788	7,217	3,638	10,855	1,404	2,705	4,312	168	2,375	10,964	679	— 109

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		Motor Vehicle	Other Criminal		By Judge ¹	By Plea ²	By Waiver ³	Preliminary Hearing	Otherwise			Total
24TH DISTRICT												
Avery	106	1,503	550	2,053	684	260	1,040	27	30	2,041	118	+ 12
Madison	194	948	346	1,294	357	64	814	41	93	1,369	119	+ 75
Mitchell	25	932	650	1,582	253	459	762	32	52	1,558	49	+ 24
Watauga	181	2,117	964	3,081	207	818	1,610	37	411	3,083	179	+ 2
Yancey	94	1,032	416	1,448	134	170	893	22	148	1,367	175	+ 81
TOTAL	600	6,532	2,926	9,458	1,635	1,771	5,119	159	734	9,418	640	+ 40
25TH DISTRICT												
Burke	756	7,292	2,982	10,274	2,025	1,658	4,387	137	1,880	10,087	943	+ 187
Caldwell	1,952	7,067	3,647	10,714	1,039	4,156	4,333	295	914	10,737	1,929	+ 23
Catawba	1,210	10,417	8,289	18,706	1,148	7,410	6,977	157	2,785	18,477	1,439	+ 229
TOTAL	3,918	24,776	14,918	39,694	4,212	13,224	15,697	589	5,579	39,301	4,311	+ 393
26TH DISTRICT												
Mecklenburg	3,046	42,660	38,950	81,610	5,159	31,310	26,968	1,509	13,397	78,343	6,313	+ 3,267
27TH DISTRICT												
Cleveland	756	6,677	4,277	10,954	3,083	3,808	4,183	159	195	11,428	282	+ 474
Gaston	6,867	16,626	12,523	29,149	2,615	12,405	10,014	315	6,686	32,035	3,981	+ 2,886
Lincoln	249	3,993	1,666	5,659	431	2,067	2,292	88	940	5,818	90	+ 159
TOTAL	7,872	27,296	18,466	45,762	6,129	18,280	16,489	562	7,821	49,281	4,353	+ 3,519
28TH DISTRICT												
Buncombe	1,083	14,298	10,127	24,425	1,956	9,078	9,018	642	3,149	23,843	1,665	+ 582

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		Motor Vehicle	Other Criminal				Preliminary Hearing	Otherwise				
29TH DISTRICT												
Henderson	986	4,420	2,163	6,583	686	1,797	2,875	137	1,502	6,997	572	- 414
McDowell	1,292	2,758	1,587	4,345	772	1,236	2,003	93	929	5,033	604	- 688
Polk	102	1,068	413	1,481	102	240	927	8	165	1,442	141	+ 39
Rutherford	2,032	3,400	3,611	7,011	2,165	1,894	2,252	130	2,146	8,587	456	-1,576
Transylvania	151	957	780	1,737	281	688	610	49	55	1,683	205	+ 54
TOTAL	4,563	12,603	8,554	21,157	4,006	5,855	8,667	417	4,797	23,742	1,978	-2,585
30TH DISTRICT												
Cherokee	196	891	591	1,482	133	251	855	33	175	1,447	231	+ 35
Clay	15	489	116	605	247	85	267	0	1	600	20	+ 5
Graham	164	318	476	794	222	326	267	0	0	815	143	+ 21
Haywood	337	3,907	1,994	5,901	747	1,855	2,603	114	761	6,080	158	- 179
Jackson	152	1,148	1,219	2,367	486	584	555	75	695	2,395	124	- 28
Macon	255	1,434	609	2,043	408	211	934	30	445	2,028	270	+ 15
Swain	132	658	1,105	1,763	145	1,048	318	5	242	1,758	137	+ 5
TOTAL	1,251	8,845	6,110	14,955	2,388	4,360	5,799	257	2,319	15,123	1,083	- 168
Group I	78,506	503,069	300,285	803,354	88,483	251,591	329,029	14,485	127,613	811,201	70,659	-7,847
Per Cent		62.6	37.4	100%	10.9	31.0	40.6	1.8	15.7	100%		
Group II	6,341	90,063	46,550	136,613	19,184	32,320	60,819	3,116	17,268	132,707	10,247	+3,906
Per Cent		65.9	34.1	100%	14.5	24.4	45.8	2.3	13.0	100%		
GRAND TOTAL	84,847	593,132	346,835	939,967	107,667	283,911	389,848	17,601	144,881	943,908	80,906	-3,941
Per Cent		63.1	36.9	100%	11.4	30.1	41.3	1.8	15.4	100%		

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OFFENSES AND CONDITIONS ALLEGED IN JUVENILE PETITIONS AND NUMBER OF CHILDREN BEFORE COURT FOR FIRST TIME*

January 1, 1971 — December 31, 1971

	Offenses					Conditions		Grand Total	Children Before Court For First Time	
	Delinquent		Total	Undisciplined		Dependent Neglected				
	Capital Felony	Other Felony		Misdemeanor	Probation Violation		Truancy	Other		Total
1ST DISTRICT										
Camden	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	1	5	6
Chowan	0	0	12	0	14	0	1	1	16	12
Currituck	0	11	17	2	30	0	0	0	31	16
Dare	0	2	35	1	38	1	0	0	39	34
Gates	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
Pasquotank	0	9	27	1	37	5	4	9	50	45
Perquimans	0	8	11	0	19	0	1	1	21	20
TOTAL	0	32	105	4	141	7	6	13	163	135
2ND DISTRICT										
Beaufort	0	15	34	4	53	24	1	25	98	89
Hyde	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	7	5
Martin	0	1	27	0	28	5	6	11	52	38
Tyrrell	0	2	13	0	15	3	0	3	18	13
Washington	0	6	23	1	30	1	1	2	41	36
TOTAL	0	24	97	5	126	33	13	46	216	181

* The data in all columns but the last indicates the total number of offenses alleged to have been committed and conditions alleged to have existed during the year. This data does not indicate the actual number of children before the court, since one petition may include several offenses or conditions and more than one petition may have been filed against a child during the year.

The last column, entitled "Children Before Court for First Time", is included here for convenience of format, but it is not otherwise related to the data in the other columns. This column does indicate the actual number of children in all categories of jurisdiction who were before the court for the first time during 1971.

Children Before
Court For
First Time

Conditions

Offenses

Delinquent

Capital Felony

Other
Felony

Misdemeanor

Probation
Violation

Total

Undisciplined

Truancy

Other

Total

Dependent

Neglected

Grand
Total

3RD DISTRICT

Carteret	0	2	46	18	66	24	13	37	11	15	129	101
Craven	0	22	83	28	133	29	25	54	7	13	207	156
Pamlico	0	2	16	0	18	1	2	3	0	0	21	19
Pitt	1	37	269	24	331	98	62	160	17	26	534	359
TOTAL	1	63	414	70	548	152	102	254	35	54	891	635

4TH DISTRICT

Duplin	0	81	33	2	116	3	1	4	2	16	138	65
Jones	0	0	6	0	6	0	0	0	1	0	7	7
Onslow	1	44	81	12	138	28	31	59	19	57	273	177
Sampson	0	5	62	6	73	14	14	28	4	8	113	112
TOTAL	1	130	182	20	333	45	46	91	26	81	531	361

5TH DISTRICT

New Hanover	0	57	550	81	688	65	20	85	28	52	853	436
Pender	0	2	30	3	35	2	3	5	0	12	52	31
TOTAL	0	59	580	84	723	67	23	90	28	64	905	467

6TH DISTRICT

Bertie	0	0	26	0	26	22	3	25	0	0	51	41
Halifax	1	42	67	7	117	15	7	22	5	6	150	95
Hertford	0	7	12	2	21	0	0	0	0	0	23	23
Northampton	0	0	14	2	16	2	3	5	0	2	23	16
TOTAL	1	49	119	11	180	39	13	52	5	10	247	175

	Offenses				Undisciplined		Conditions		Grand Total	Children Before Court For First Time	
	Delinquent		Probation Violation	Total	Dependent Neglected						
	Capital Felony	Other Misdemeanor			Truancy	Other	Total				
7TH DISTRICT											
Edgecombe	1	28	141	8	178	9	14	23	15	222	155
Nash	0	21	74	14	109	13	18	31	23	198	125
Wilson	0	40	84	0	124	4	11	15	0	152	87
TOTAL	1	89	299	22	411	26	43	69	38	572	367
8TH DISTRICT											
Greene	0	2	54	2	58	13	4	17	0	88	59
Lenoir	0	19	199	31	249	29	15	44	0	300	178
Wayne	2	30	74	36	142	59	44	103	15	285	198
TOTAL	2	51	327	69	449	101	63	164	15	673	435
9TH DISTRICT											
Franklin	0	7	10	0	17	1	8	9	4	39	39
Granville	3	39	45	11	98	1	3	4	5	120	52
Person	0	7	21	6	34	4	4	8	6	61	54
Vance	0	17	56	13	86	11	6	17	3	111	121
Warren	0	3	2	1	6	3	5	8	2	16	18
TOTAL	3	73	134	31	241	20	26	46	20	347	284
10TH DISTRICT											
Wake	11	112	453	63	639	64	91	155	9	825	588
11TH DISTRICT											
Harnett	1	1	49	16	67	41	11	52	7	134	104
Johnston	0	11	61	36	108	43	12	55	12	187	104
Lee	0	22	98	29	149	46	22	68	0	254	158
TOTAL	1	34	208	81	324	130	45	175	19	575	366

	Offenses					Conditions		Grand Total	Children Before Court For First Time
	Delinquent		Probation Violation	Undisciplined		Dependent	Neglected		
	Capital	Other Felony		Misdemeanor	Truancy				
<u>12TH DISTRICT</u>									
Cumberland	1	68	311	61	151	212	88	109	854
Hoke	0	0	34	6	7	13	1	2	54
TOTAL	1	68	345	67	158	225	89	111	908
<u>13TH DISTRICT</u>									
Bladen	0	0	36	17	6	23	2	21	89
Brunswick	0	11	55	5	5	10	0	2	78
Columbus	0	4	91	62	9	71	14	26	219
TOTAL	0	15	182	84	20	104	16	49	386
<u>14TH DISTRICT</u>									
Durham	2	33	214	11	76	87	131	30	532
<u>15TH DISTRICT</u>									
Alamance	0	35	232	36	41	77	23	72	473
Chatham	0	0	21	17	5	22	8	16	69
Orange	0	25	77	9	13	22	5	17	149
TOTAL	0	60	330	62	59	121	36	105	691
<u>16TH DISTRICT</u>									
Robeson	0	71	113	31	48	79	38	66	402
Scotland	0	43	77	15	16	31	22	14	197
TOTAL	0	114	190	46	64	110	60	80	599

	Offenses				Undisciplined			Conditions		Grand Total	Children Before Court For First Time	
	Delinquent		Total	Dependent		Neglected						
	Capital Felony	Other Felony		Tuancy	Other		Total					
17TH DISTRICT												
Caswell	0	2	6	1	9	5	5	10	5	23	47	37
Rockingham	1	14	70	31	116	18	19	37	27	74	254	215
Stokes	0	0	3	0	3	1	0	1	0	4	8	8
Surry	0	16	35	10	61	18	16	34	0	23	118	117
TOTAL	1	32	114	42	189	42	40	82	32	124	427	377
18TH DISTRICT												
Guilford—												
Greensboro	0	105	387	220	712	84	286	370	101	164	1,347	
High Point	0	41	288	166	495	108	109	217	16	46	774	
TOTAL	0	146	675	386	1,207	192	395	587	117	210	2,121	1,038
19TH DISTRICT												
Cabarrus	1	1	125	10	137	27	8	35	3	15	190	208
Montgomery	0	2	19	10	31	51	3	54	4	2	91	69
Randolph	0	5	76	9	90	29	17	46	5	14	155	122
Rowan	0	62	106	24	192	33	38	71	64	64	391	326
TOTAL	1	70	326	53	450	140	66	206	76	95	827	725
20TH DISTRICT												
Anson	0	2	21	3	26	4	6	10	0	4	40	38
Moore	0	8	45	20	73	29	19	48	10	20	151	34
Richmond	0	23	35	5	63	12	11	23	3	11	100	85
Stanly	0	3	52	5	60	34	7	41	5	20	126	86
Union	0	22	52	5	79	19	13	32	7	11	129	114
TOTAL	0	58	205	38	301	98	56	154	25	66	546	357

	Offenses					Conditions		Grand Total	Children Before Court For First Time
	Delinquent		Undisciplined		Dependent	Neglected			
	Capital	Other	Misdemeanor	Probation Violation			Truancy		
<u>21ST DISTRICT</u>									
Forsyth	1	32	288	37	358	65	141	206	385
<u>22ND DISTRICT</u>									
Alexander	0	5	31	3	39	10	3	13	65
Davidson	2	21	106	36	165	65	17	82	288
Davie	0	0	15	3	18	5	0	5	48
Iredell	0	43	93	26	162	45	22	67	197
TOTAL	2	69	245	68	384	125	42	167	598
<u>23RD DISTRICT</u>									
Alleghany	0	0	3	1	4	1	4	5	11
Ashe	0	4	19	4	27	15	6	21	54
Wilkes	0	9	37	6	52	33	16	49	165
Yadkin	0	2	29	1	32	7	7	14	50
TOTAL	0	15	88	12	115	56	33	89	280
<u>24TH DISTRICT</u>									
Avery	0	0	10	4	14	11	17	28	36
Madison	0	1	3	1	5	19	4	23	36
Mitchell	0	4	12	0	16	7	1	8	24
Watauga	0	3	17	0	20	1	6	7	33
Yancey	0	0	17	0	17	2	0	2	25
TOTAL	0	8	59	5	72	40	28	68	154

	Offenses				Conditions				Grand Total	Children Before Court For First Time		
	Delinquent		Total	Undisciplined		Dependent Neglected						
	Capital	Other Felony		Truancy	Other		Total					
25TH DISTRICT												
Burke	0	9	39	4	52	17	20	37	10	65	164	112
Caldwell	0	11	97	16	124	36	12	48	0	20	192	138
Catawba	4	12	199	25	240	47	16	63	9	44	356	225
TOTAL	4	32	335	45	416	100	48	148	19	129	712	475
26TH DISTRICT												
Mecklenburg	0	799	1,365	206	2,370	135	320	455	261	20	3,106	1,302
27TH DISTRICT												
Cleveland	0	21	111	19	151	30	34	64	16	23	254	150
Gaston	0	40	234	27	301	61	102	163	161	47	672	333
Lincoln	0	4	41	2	47	11	7	18	7	10	82	42
TOTAL	0	65	386	48	499	102	143	245	184	80	1,008	525
28TH DISTRICT												
Buncombe	1	25	230	60	316	65	141	206	32	122	676	548
29TH DISTRICT												
Henderson	0	47	68	42	157	53	50	103	26	10	296	166
McDowell	0	0	13	9	22	8	22	30	8	28	88	89
Polk	0	0	5	0	5	3	8	11	0	11	27	25
Rutherford	0	2	59	20	81	8	4	12	3	4	100	63
Transylvania	0	6	18	18	42	9	17	26	8	30	106	49
TOTAL	0	55	163	89	307	81	101	182	45	83	617	392

30TH DISTRICT

30TH DISTRICT	Delinquent					Offenses		Undisciplined			Conditions		Grand Total	Children Before Court For First Time
	Capital	Other Felony	Misde-meanor	Probation Violation	Total	Truancy	Other	Total	Dependent	Neglected				
Cherokee	0	1	13	1	15	6	1	7	3	15	40	25		
Clay	0	0	10	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	10	10		
Graham	0	0	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	8	8		
Haywood	0	31	101	1	133	10	16	26	0	2	161	84		
Jackson	0	8	28	0	36	5	2	7	6	7	56	44		
Macon	0	1	3	0	4	3	1	4	0	0	8	8		
Swain	0	0	11	0	11	2	1	3	0	1	15	15		
TOTAL	0	41	174	2	217	26	21	47	9	25	298	194		
GRAND TOTAL	34	2,453	8,832	1,759	13,078	2,221	2,423	4,644	1,501	2,048	21,271	13,583		
Per Cent	.2	18.8	67.5	13.5	100%	47.8	52.2	100%	7.1	9.6	100%			
Per Cent					61.5			21.8						

JUVENILE PROCEEDINGS — ADJUDICATORY HEARINGS IN THE DISTRICT COURT*

January 1, 1971 — December 31, 1971

	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependency Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Total Hearings	
	Retained	Dismissed	Total	Retained	Dismissed	Total	Retained	Dismissed		Total
1ST DISTRICT										
Camden	0	0	3	0	0	1	1	0	1	5
Chowan	12	1	13	1	0	0	1	0	1	15
Currituck	15	12	27	0	2	0	1	0	1	30
Dare	14	30	44	1	0	1	0	0	0	45
Gates	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Pasquotank	35	6	41	9	0	0	2	0	2	54
Perquimans	17	4	21	1	1	0	1	0	1	23
TOTAL	94	53	147	14	3	17	3	6	6	173
2ND DISTRICT										
Beaufort	61	26	87	27	7	34	6	16	2	145
Hyde	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	0	0	5
Martin	13	12	25	6	3	9	1	7	3	45
Tyrrell	4	10	14	0	3	3	0	0	0	17
Washington	19	6	25	2	0	2	1	5	0	33
TOTAL	97	54	151	40	13	53	8	28	5	245
3RD DISTRICT										
Carteret	51	19	70	34	9	43	10	19	3	147
Craven	101	53	154	79	18	97	8	27	8	295
Pamlico	1	12	13	3	0	3	0	0	0	16
Pitt	351	62	413	176	28	204	22	18	22	700
TOTAL	504	146	650	292	55	347	40	64	33	1,158

* This table indicates the total number of adjudicatory hearings held in each category of juvenile jurisdiction during the year. Juvenile petitions may be dismissed either for failure to prove that the child is delinquent, undisciplined, dependent or neglected or, if he is found to be so, because the child is not in need of the care, protection or discipline of the State. All cases dismissed for either of these reasons are counted in the "dismissed" column; all other cases are counted in the "retained" column.

	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependency Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Total Hearings		
	Retained	Dismissed	Total	Retained	Dismissed	Total	Retained	Dismissed		Total	
4TH DISTRICT											
Duplin	57	33	90	4	5	9	2	0	2	17	118
Jones	4	2	6	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	8
Onslow	55	17	72	22	19	41	20	6	26	65	204
Sampson	79	45	124	32	7	39	1	3	4	5	176
TOTAL	195	97	292	58	31	89	23	10	33	92	506
5TH DISTRICT											
New Hanover	631	61	692	78	4	82	27	0	27	49	857
Pender	25	15	40	3	2	5	0	0	0	12	62
TOTAL	656	76	732	81	6	87	27	0	27	61	919
6TH DISTRICT											
Bertie	16	5	21	16	0	16	0	0	0	0	37
Halifax	93	14	107	17	4	21	3	0	3	6	137
Hertford	10	11	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	2
Northampton	10	0	10	5	1	6	0	0	0	1	17
TOTAL	129	30	159	38	5	43	3	0	3	7	214
7TH DISTRICT											
Edgecombe	145	22	167	19	2	21	4	0	4	11	204
Nash	70	21	91	23	6	29	20	4	24	18	163
Wilson	76	8	84	7	1	8	15	0	15	6	113
TOTAL	291	51	342	49	9	58	39	4	43	35	480
8TH DISTRICT											
Greene	22	5	27	19	0	19	0	0	0	13	59
Lenoir	150	52	202	38	7	45	0	0	0	7	8
Wayne	101	19	120	76	24	100	16	2	18	20	22
TOTAL	273	76	349	133	31	164	16	2	18	40	260
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	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependency Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Total Hearings					
	Retained	Dismissed	Total	Retained	Dismissed	Total	Retained	Dismissed		Total				
9TH DISTRICT														
Franklin	9	8	17	6	3	9	4	2	7	9	39			
Granville	43	3	46	23	0	23	4	4	11	0	11	84		
Person	21	8	29	10	1	11	6	0	6	2	15	61		
Vance	72	3	75	16	1	17	3	0	3	4	0	4	99	
Warren	2	5	7	3	9	12	0	2	0	0	0	21	0	99
TOTAL	147	27	174	58	14	72	13	6	19	30	9	39	304	
10TH DISTRICT														
Wake	635	254	889	136	24	160	14	7	21	15	16	31	1,101	
11TH DISTRICT														
Harnett	32	42	74	73	59	132	4	1	5	11	7	18	229	
Johnston	58	23	81	42	18	60	6	0	6	10	4	14	161	
Lee	111	46	157	7	10	17	2	1	3	18	3	21	198	
TOTAL	201	111	312	122	87	209	12	2	14	39	14	53	588	
12TH DISTRICT														
Cumberland	253	119	372	147	71	218	128	20	148	143	52	195	933	
Hoke	24	10	34	11	1	12	1	0	1	1	0	1	48	
TOTAL	277	129	406	158	72	230	129	20	149	144	52	196	981	
13TH DISTRICT														
Bladen	40	2	42	25	1	26	2	0	2	15	5	20	90	
Brunswick	25	38	63	7	3	10	0	0	0	2	0	2	75	
Columbus	46	63	109	63	30	93	3	1	4	0	18	18	224	
TOTAL	111	103	214	95	34	129	5	1	6	17	23	40	389	

	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependency Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Total Hearings				
	Retained	Dismissed	Total	Retained	Dismissed	Total	Retained	Dismissed		Total			
14TH DISTRICT													
Durham	85	182	267	37	48	85	104	18	122	17	6	23	497
15TH DISTRICT													
Alamance	155	26	181	73	2	75	16	0	16	58	9	67	339
Chatham	21	0	21	19	1	20	1	0	1	9	0	9	51
Orange	76	26	102	14	3	17	6	0	6	8	3	11	136
TOTAL	252	52	304	106	6	112	23	0	23	75	12	87	526
16TH DISTRICT													
Robeson	150	25	175	45	3	48	22	4	26	18	10	28	277
Scotland	104	14	118	25	1	26	26	3	29	12	0	12	185
TOTAL	254	39	293	70	4	74	48	7	55	30	10	40	462
17TH DISTRICT													
Caswell	10	3	13	10	3	13	6	0	6	19	2	21	53
Rockingham	92	8	100	18	5	23	20	1	21	56	19	75	219
Stokes	39	3	42	4	0	4	4	0	4	5	1	6	56
Surry	50	14	64	21	6	27	0	0	0	13	1	14	105
TOTAL	191	28	219	53	14	67	30	1	31	93	23	116	433
18TH DISTRICT													
Guilford—													
Greensboro	492	137	629	235	52	287	77	10	87	126	31	157	1,160
High Point	239	153	392	124	38	162	10	5	15	30	14	44	613
TOTAL	731	290	1,021	359	90	449	87	15	102	156	45	201	1,773

	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependency Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Total		
	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed			
19TH DISTRICT											
Cabarrus	124	18	142	31	0	31	2	0	1	19	194
Montgomery	23	9	32	91	9	100	5	1	3	4	142
Randolph	63	30	93	26	10	36	3	1	4	8	141
Rowan	174	78	252	81	22	103	69	8	104	19	555
TOTAL	384	135	519	229	41	270	79	10	89	25	1,032
20TH DISTRICT											
Anson	1	25	26	0	10	10	0	0	0	4	40
Moore	57	15	72	24	11	35	16	0	10	0	133
Richmond	48	14	62	20	2	22	3	0	12	0	99
Stanly	59	3	62	36	6	42	5	2	15	5	131
Union	48	8	56	24	13	37	2	7	7	5	114
TOTAL	213	65	278	104	42	146	26	9	35	44	517
21ST DISTRICT											
Forsyth	231	55	286	128	31	159	29	13	42	38	538
22ND DISTRICT											
Alexander	18	16	34	8	2	10	1	0	1	7	52
Davidson	122	20	142	94	9	103	28	1	29	32	316
Davie	10	16	26	2	3	5	3	5	8	4	53
Iredell	95	40	135	52	12	64	10	0	10	13	222
TOTAL	245	92	337	156	26	182	42	6	48	62	643
23RD DISTRICT											
Alleghany	4	0	4	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	6
Ashe	20	7	27	17	3	20	4	1	5	10	64
Wilkes	49	12	61	54	3	57	9	0	9	6	200
Yadkin	24	5	29	12	2	14	7	4	11	9	63
TOTAL	97	24	121	84	9	93	20	5	25	86	333

	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependency Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Total Hearings
	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	
<u>24TH DISTRICT</u>									
Avery	11	7	17	2	2	3	7	6	55
Madison	9	2	11	4	4	0	10	0	44
Mitchell	11	3	14	3	0	0	3	1	29
Watauga	13	13	26	2	0	0	9	0	40
Yancey	24	5	29	1	1	0	5	1	40
TOTAL	68	30	98	12	7	3	34	8	208
<u>25TH DISTRICT</u>									
Burke	67	21	88	7	4	1	67	20	232
Caldwell	73	32	105	17	2	1	5	4	147
Catawba	202	59	261	9	11	3	48	12	419
TOTAL	342	112	454	33	17	5	120	36	798
<u>26TH DISTRICT</u>									
Mecklenburg	1,867	75	1,942	14	170	0	12	0	2,444
<u>27TH DISTRICT</u>									
Cleveland	105	19	124	1	12	4	22	1	227
Gaston	156	57	213	12	83	28	32	4	522
Lincoln	29	23	52	2	7	0	6	0	79
TOTAL	290	99	389	15	102	32	60	5	828
<u>28TH DISTRICT</u>									
Buncombe	100	73	173	71	10	3	30	39	385

29TH DISTRICT

	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependency Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Total
	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	
Henderson	31	138	14	79	11	21	6	15	315
McDowell	3	32	3	18	4	11	8	18	94
Polk	3	1	11	2	0	0	8	6	31
Rutherford	63	14	16	0	2	0	3	0	98
Transylvania	21	9	26	8	3	1	9	15	92
TOTAL	121	191	70	107	20	33	34	54	630

30TH DISTRICT

	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependency Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Total
	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	
Cherokee	12	9	5	1	1	2	10	0	40
Clay	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Graham	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Haywood	118	113	28	24	0	0	0	15	298
Jackson	11	11	2	8	0	0	0	0	32
Macon	5	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	12
Swain	6	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	10
TOTAL	152	153	41	34	1	2	10	15	408
GRAND TOTAL	9,233	2,902	12,135	3,492	1,147	238	1,385	528	20,087
Per Cent	76.1	23.9	78.3	21.7	82.8	17.2	74.9	25.1	100%
Per Cent									10.5

DISTRICT COURT ACTIVITY IN MOTOR VEHICLE AND SMALL CLAIM CASES*

January 1, 1971 — December 31, 1971

	Percent of Motor Vehicle Cases Disposed of by Waiver ¹			Percent of Small Claim Cases Disposed of by Magistrate ¹		
	Motor Vehicle Cases Filed	Motor Vehicle Cases Disposed of by Waiver	Percent Disposed of by Waiver	Small Claims Filed	Disposed of by Magistrate	Percent Disposed of by Magistrate
<u>1ST DISTRICT</u>						
Camden	579	393	67.9	203	169	83.3
Chowan	1,211	830	68.5	180	216	120.0
Currituck	716	423	59.1	194	234	120.6
Dare	1,115	676	60.6	232	227	97.8
Gates	871	694	79.7	246	225	91.5
Pasquotank	1,771	1,151	65.0	977	1,016	104.0
Perquimans	658	512	77.8	146	145	99.3
TOTAL	6,921	4,679	67.6	2,178	2,232	102.5
<u>2ND DISTRICT</u>						
Beaufort	3,570	3,520	98.6	606	607	100.2
Hyde	289	185	64.0	37	27	73.0
Martin	3,619	2,673	73.9	494	487	98.6
Tyrrell	214	232	108.4	38	31	81.6
Washington	895	992	110.8	212	123	58.0
TOTAL	8,587	7,602	88.5	1,387	1,275	91.9
<u>3RD DISTRICT</u>						
Carteret	3,997	2,438	61.0	335	325	97.0
Craven	5,370	3,236	60.3	557	522	93.7
Pamlico	670	356	53.1	93	75	80.6
Pitt	8,547	4,554	53.3	1,127	1,084	96.2
TOTAL	18,584	10,584	57.0	2,112	2,006	95.0
<u>4TH DISTRICT</u>						
Duplin	4,384	4,559	104.0	896	696	77.7
Jones	796	432	54.3	56	70	125.0
Onslow	9,208	5,024	54.6	1,248	1,315	105.4
Sampson	4,620	3,576	77.4	697	923	132.4
TOTAL	19,008	13,591	71.5	2,897	3,004	103.7
<u>5TH DISTRICT</u>						
New Hanover	9,654	5,779	59.9	1,476	1,254	85.0
Pender	2,246	1,187	52.8	353	349	98.9
TOTAL	11,900	6,966	58.5	1,829	1,603	87.6

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* These two tables are combined for convenience of format; they are not otherwise related.

**Percent of Motor Vehicle Cases
Disposed of by Waiver¹**

**Percent of Small Claim Cases
Disposed of by Magistrate¹**

	Motor Vehicle Cases Filed	Motor Vehicle Cases Disposed of by Waiver	Percent Disposed of by Waiver	Small Claims Filed	Disposed of by Magistrate	Percent Disposed of by Magistrate
<u>6TH DISTRICT</u>						
Bertie	2,381	2,111	88.7	238	234	98.3
Halifax	6,095	3,250	53.3	645	575	89.1
Hertford	2,266	1,527	67.4	270	243	90.0
Northampton	1,569	1,156	73.7	231	159	68.8
TOTAL	12,311	8,044	65.3	1,384	1,211	87.5

7TH DISTRICT

Edgecombe	5,172	3,597	69.5	1,236	1,213	98.1
Nash	7,378	5,399	73.2	926	932	100.6
Wilson	6,393	4,898	76.6	1,663	1,603	96.4
TOTAL	18,943	13,894	73.3	3,825	3,748	98.0

8TH DISTRICT

Greene	1,541	997	64.7	137	106	77.4
Lenoir	7,058	4,528	64.2	869	1,513	174.1
Wayne	8,432	5,402	64.1	993	944	95.1
TOTAL	17,031	10,927	64.2	1,999	2,563	128.2

9TH DISTRICT

Franklin	2,885	2,038	70.6	472	429	90.9
Granville	3,578	2,936	82.1	428	433	101.2
Person	3,295	2,598	78.8	1,158	903	78.0
Vance	2,994	2,951	98.6	753	943	125.2
Warren	1,575	1,244	79.0	200	173	86.5
TOTAL	14,327	11,767	82.1	3,011	2,881	95.7

10TH DISTRICT

Wake	40,010	29,385	73.4	5,741	5,220	90.9
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11TH DISTRICT

Harnett	5,230	4,282	81.9	612	573	93.6
Johnston	9,089	6,130	67.4	910	799	87.8
Lee	3,094	2,853	92.2	573	571	99.7
TOTAL	17,413	13,265	76.2	2,095	1,943	92.7

12TH DISTRICT

Cumberland	23,436	10,326	44.1	2,296	2,138	93.1
Hoke	2,222	1,504	67.7	140	140	100.0
TOTAL	25,658	11,830	46.1	2,436	2,278	93.5

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	Motor Vehicle Cases Filed	Motor Vehicle Cases Disposed of by Waiver	Percent Disposed of by Waiver	Small Claims Filed	Disposed of by Magistrate	Percent Disposed of by Magistrate
<u>13TH DISTRICT</u>						
Bladen	3,134	1,579	50.4	464	397	85.6
Brunswick	3,290	1,965	59.7	455	423	93.0
Columbus	5,916	2,578	43.6	645	536	83.1
TOTAL	12,340	6,122	50.0	1,564	1,356	86.7
<u>14TH DISTRICT</u>						
Durham	15,747	6,795	43.2	4,843	4,203	86.8
<u>15TH DISTRICT</u>						
Alamance	10,933	8,276	75.7	1,328	1,312	98.8
Chatham	3,569	2,360	66.1	500	313	62.6
Orange	4,766	3,060	64.2	303	285	94.1
TOTAL	19,268	13,696	71.1	2,131	1,910	89.6
<u>16TH DISTRICT</u>						
Robeson	9,816	4,729	48.2	1,742	1,614	92.7
Scotland	2,555	1,663	65.1	388	385	99.2
TOTAL	12,371	6,392	51.7	2,130	1,999	93.8
<u>17TH DISTRICT</u>						
Caswell	2,227	1,535	68.9	223	209	93.7
Rockingham	8,354	5,306	63.5	672	649	96.6
Stokes	2,023	1,396	69.0	267	216	80.9
Surry	5,040	3,097	61.4	1,732	1,051	60.7
TOTAL	17,644	11,333	64.2	2,894	2,125	73.4
<u>18TH DISTRICT</u>						
Guilford—						
Greensboro	40,546	22,872	56.4	6,181	6,535	105.7
High Point	15,505	12,374	79.8	2,361	2,408	102.0
TOTAL	56,051	35,246	62.9	8,542	8,943	104.7
<u>19TH DISTRICT</u>						
Cabarrus	8,212	6,623	80.7	1,206	803	66.6
Montgomery	3,242	2,471	76.2	237	213	89.9
Randolph	9,524	6,533	68.6	739	516	69.8
Rowan	7,681	5,953	77.5	846	750	88.7
TOTAL	28,659	21,580	75.3	3,028	2,282	75.4

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<u>20TH DISTRICT</u>						
Anson	2,715	2,648	97.5	310	267	86.1
Moore	4,306	3,387	78.7	329	311	94.5
Richmond	4,314	2,607	60.4	518	501	96.7
Stanly	4,184	3,946	94.3	720	674	93.6
Union	4,833	3,164	65.5	589	571	96.9
TOTAL	20,352	15,752	77.4	2,466	2,324	94.2
<u>21ST DISTRICT</u>						
Forsyth	33,535	23,753	70.8	3,227	3,197	99.1
<u>22ND DISTRICT</u>						
Alexander	1,640	1,245	75.9	164	160	97.6
Davidson	9,166	6,292	68.6	603	509	84.4
Davie	2,897	1,977	68.2	97	90	92.3
Iredell	8,542	5,062	59.3	1,101	1,014	92.1
TOTAL	22,245	14,576	65.5	1,965	1,773	90.2
<u>23RD DISTRICT</u>						
Alleghany	647	393	60.7	97	91	93.8
Ashe	921	425	46.1	193	181	93.8
Wilkes	4,003	2,207	55.1	470	409	87.0
Yadkin	1,646	1,287	78.2	194	183	94.3
TOTAL	7,217	4,312	59.7	954	864	90.6
<u>24TH DISTRICT</u>						
Avery	1,503	1,040	69.2	43	49	114.0
Madison	948	814	85.9	41	58	141.5
Mitchell	932	762	81.8	38	31	81.6
Watauga	2,117	1,610	76.1	99	86	86.9
Yancey	1,032	893	86.5	43	24	55.8
TOTAL	6,532	5,119	78.4	264	248	93.9
<u>25TH DISTRICT</u>						
Burke	7,292	4,387	60.2	663	549	82.8
Caldwell	7,067	4,333	61.3	1,007	856	85.0
Catawba	10,417	6,977	67.0	1,134	1,171	103.3
TOTAL	24,776	15,697	63.4	2,804	2,576	91.9

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<u>26TH DISTRICT</u>						
Mecklenburg	42,660	26,968	63.2	9,088	9,189	101.1
<u>27TH DISTRICT</u>						
Cleveland	6,677	4,183	62.6	1,205	1,170	97.1
Gaston	16,626	10,014	60.2	2,180	2,131	97.8
Lincoln	3,993	2,292	57.4	308	251	81.5
TOTAL	27,296	16,489	60.4	3,693	3,552	96.2
<u>28TH DISTRICT</u>						
Buncombe	14,298	9,018	63.1	1,090	919	84.3
<u>29TH DISTRICT</u>						
Henderson	4,420	2,875	65.0	254	239	94.1
McDowell	2,758	2,003	72.6	292	342	117.1
Polk	1,068	927	86.8	43	10	23.3
Rutherford	3,400	2,252	66.2	452	426	94.2
Transylvania	957	610	63.7	162	116	71.6
TOTAL	12,603	8,667	68.8	1,203	1,133	94.2
<u>30TH DISTRICT</u>						
Cherokee	891	855	96.0	233	97	41.6
Clay	489	267	54.6	51	45	88.2
Graham	318	267	84.0	36	31	86.1
Haywood	3,907	2,603	66.6	200	191	95.5
Jackson	1,148	555	48.3	128	126	98.4
Macon	1,434	934	65.1	124	102	82.3
Swain	658	318	48.3	58	39	67.2
TOTAL	8,845	5,799	65.6	830	631	76.0
GRAND TOTAL	593,132	389,848	65.7	83,610	79,188	94.7

1. In some counties, the per cent of cases disposed of exceeds one hundred per cent because cases pending on January, 1, 1971 are not included in the "filed" column. The figures in both the "filed" and "disposed of" columns are for the calendar year 1971. Some of the cases filed in 1971 will not be disposed of until 1972 and some of the cases disposed of in 1971 were filed in 1970. Assuming a fairly constant rate of filing and disposition, the percentages are relatively accurate.

DAYS OF COURT HELD AT EACH SEAT OF THE DISTRICT COURT*

1971 Calendar Year

	Civil	Criminal	Total
1ST DISTRICT (2 Judges)			
Camden—Camden	1	23½	24½
Chowan—Edenton	5	45	50
Currituck—Currituck	3	23	26
Dare—Manteo	5	40	45
Gates—Gatesville	0	18	18
Pasquotank—Elizabeth City	20½	53½	74
Perquimans—Hertford	4	26½	30½
TOTAL	38½	229½	268
2ND DISTRICT (2 Judges)			
Beaufort—Washington	46½	105	151½
Hyde—Swan Quarter	3	25	28
Martin—Williamston	21½	66	87½
Tyrrell—Columbia	0	21	21
Washington—Plymouth	8	43	51
TOTAL	79	260	339
3RD DISTRICT (4 Judges)			
Carteret—Beaufort	47½	123½	171
Craven—New Bern	82½	235	317½
Pamlico—Bayboro	5½	21	26½
Pitt—Greenville	88	196½	284½
Farmville	0	22	22
Ayden	1	19	20
TOTAL	224½	617	841½
4TH DISTRICT (4 Judges)			
Duplin—Kenansville	39½	85	124½
Jones—Trenton	5½	18	23½
Onslow—Jacksonville	178½	229½	408
Sampson—Clinton	68	115½	183½
TOTAL	291½	448	739½
5TH DISTRICT (3 Judges)			
New Hanover—Wilmington	249	338	587
Pender—Burgaw	23	40	63
TOTAL	272	378	650
6TH DISTRICT (3 Judges)			
Bertie—Windsor	14	48	62
Halifax—Halifax	22	113	135
Roanoke Rapids	6	45	51
Hertford—Winton	20	50	70
Northampton—Jackson	4	45	49
TOTAL	66	301	367
7TH DISTRICT (4 Judges)			
Edgecombe—Tarboro	32½	86½	119
Nash—Nashville	58	87½	145½
Rocky Mount	27½	79	106½
Wilson—Wilson	60½	139	199½
TOTAL	178½	392	570½

* All days of court at each seat were not necessarily held by a judge assigned to the designated judicial district. In 1971 District Court Judges held a total of 177½ days of court in judicial districts other than their own.

<i>8TH DISTRICT (4 Judges)</i>	Civil	Criminal	Total
Greene—Snow Hill	91½	36	45½
Lenoir—Kinston	96½	166	262½
Wayne—Goldsboro	119½	160	279½
Mount Olive	0	36	36
TOTAL	225½	398	623½
<i>9TH DISTRICT (3 Judges)</i>			
Franklin—Louisburg	18	46	64
Granville—Oxford	2	50	52
Person—Roxboro	8	49	57
Vance—Henderson	1	56	57
Warren—Warrenton	6½	29	35½
TOTAL	35½	230	265½
<i>10TH DISTRICT (5 Judges)</i>			
Wake—Raleigh	414	645	1,059
Fuquay-Varina	0	25	25
Wendell	0	25	25
TOTAL	414	695	1,109
<i>11TH DISTRICT (4 Judges)</i>			
Harnett—Lillington	106	118	224
Dunn	0	50	50
Johnston—Smithfield	81½	140	221½
Benson	1	46	47
Selma	0	46	46
Lee—Sanford	73	112	185
TOTAL	261½	512	773½
<i>12TH DISTRICT (4 Judges)</i>			
Cumberland—Fayetteville	319	456	775
Hoke—Raeford	11½	43½	55
TOTAL	330½	499½	830
<i>13TH DISTRICT (2 Judges)</i>			
Bladen—Elizabethtown	33	76	109
Brunswick—Southport	40	60	100
Shallotte	0	33	33
Columbus—Whiteville	80	82	162
Tabor City	0	26	26
TOTAL	153	277	430
<i>14TH DISTRICT (3 Judges)</i>			
Durham—Durham	264	467½	731½
<i>15TH DISTRICT (4 Judges)</i>			
Alamance—Graham	202	229½	431½
Chatham—Pittsboro	37½	38½	76
Siler City	10½	41	51½
Orange—Hillsborough	60½	101	161½
Chapel Hill	4	49½	53½
TOTAL	314½	459½	774

	Civil	Criminal	Total
16TH DISTRICT (3 Judges)			
Robeson—Lumberton	153	143	296
Fairmont	2	38	40
Maxton	0	68	68
Red Springs	0	33	33
Rowland	0	22	22
Saint Pauls	0	42	42
Scotland—Laurinburg	70	92	162
TOTAL	225	438	663

17TH DISTRICT (4 Judges)			
Caswell—Yanceyville	9	49	58
Rockingham—Wentworth	60	4	64
Reidsville	1½	99	99½
Eden	0	88½	88½
Madison	0	48	48
Stokes—Danbury	19½	45½	65
Surry—Dobson	30½	151½	182
TOTAL	119½	485½	605

18TH DISTRICT ((7 Judges)			
Guilford—			
Greensboro	523½	525½	1,049
High Point	221	216½	437½
TOTAL	744½	742	1,486½

19TH DISTRICT (5 Judges)			
Cabarrus—Concord	105½	88	193½
Kannapolis	1	48	49
Montgomery—Troy	54	59	113
Randolph—Asheboro	140½	147½	288
Rowan—Salisbury	112½	151	263½
TOTAL	413½	493½	907

20TH DISTRICT (4 Judges)			
Anson—Wadesboro	20½	71½	92
Moore—Carthage	39	72	111
Southern Pines	1	26	27
Richmond—Rockingham	29	85	114
Stanly—Albemarle	27½	71	98½
Union—Monroe	36½	72½	109
TOTAL	153½	398	551½

21ST DISTRICT (5 Judges)			
Forsyth—Winston-Salem	516	420	936
Kernersville	1½	3	3½
TOTAL	516½	423	939½

22ND DISTRICT (4 Judges)			
Alexander—Taylorsville	26	42	68
Davidson—Lexington	138	103	241
Thomasville	3	102	105
Davie—Mocksville	27	48	75
Iredell—Statesville	100	155	255
Mooresville	3	51	54
TOTAL	297	501	798

23RD DISTRICT (2 Judges)

	Civil	Criminal	Total
Alleghany—Sparta	22	26	48
Ashe—Jefferson	23	25	48
Wilkes—Wilkerson	132	99	231
Yadkin—Yadkinville	27	44	71
TOTAL	204	194	398

24TH DISTRICT (2 Judges)

Avery—Newland	11½	27	38½
Madison—Marshall	12	25½	37½
Mitchell—Bakersville	17	22	39
Watauga—Boone	18	61½	79½
Yancey—Burnsville	10½	27½	38
TOTAL	69	163½	232½

25TH DISTRICT (4 Judges)

Burke—Morganton	71½	145½	217
Caldwell—Lenoir	81½	141	222½
Catawba—Newton	74	102	176
Hickory	72½	146	218½
TOTAL	299½	534½	834

26TH DISTRICT (7 Judges)

Mecklenburg—Charlotte	601	624¼	1,225¼
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27TH DISTRICT (5 Judges)

Cleveland—Shelby	64	186½	250½
Gaston—Gastonia	244	411	655
Lincoln—Lincolnton	28	74	102
TOTAL	336	671½	1,007½

28TH DISTRICT (4 Judges)

Buncombe—Asheville	386	549	935
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29TH DISTRICT (3 Judges)

Henderson—Hendersonville	47	85	132
McDowell—Marion	43	73	116
Polk—Columbus	11	17	28
Rutherford—Rutherfordton	69	76	145
Transylvania—Brevard	38	49	87
TOTAL	208	300	508

30TH DISTRICT (2 Judges)

Cherokee—Murphy	4	21	25
Clay—Hayesville	0	11	11
Graham—Robbinsville	0	12	12
Haywood—Waynesville	27	76	103
Canton	0	14	14
Jackson—Sylva	9	27	36
Macon—Franklin	5	21	26
Swain—Bryson City	29	27	56
TOTAL	74	209	283
Group I	6,375½	10,667¾	17,043¼
Group II	1,420	2,223	3,643
GRAND TOTAL	7,795½	12,890¾	20,686¼

FISCAL OPERATIONS

1970 - 71

The district court system operated in 83 counties from July 1, 1970 to June 30, 1971, and in 17 counties from December 7, 1970 to June 30, 1971. With the addition of 17 new counties, both receipts and expenditures increased substantially over the previous fiscal year. The ratio of receipts to expenditures remained approximately the same, with total receipts from court operations exceeding State expenditures by more than one million dollars.

State Expenditures for the Judicial Department	\$22,057,741.52
State and Local Receipts from Court Operations	\$23,332,388.59

Distribution of Receipts by type and unit of government receiving funds:

Superior and District Court Fees (State)	\$ 7,324,567.41	
Supreme Court Fees (State)	5,113.75	
Court of Appeals Fees (State)	13,407.80	
Sale of Reports (State)	36,697.08	
Law Enforcement Officers Benefit and Retirement Fund (State)	1,949,757.25	
Total State Revenues		\$ 9,329,543.29
Facilities Fees (Counties)	1,751,255.91	
Officer Fees (Counties)	922,278.62	
Jail Fees (Counties)	410,635.10	
Fines and Forfeitures (Counties)	10,163,064.49	
Total County Revenues		\$13,247,234.12
Facilities Fees (Municipalities)	120,741.25	
Officer Fees (Municipalities)	571,240.33	
Jail Fees (Municipalities)	63,629.60	
Total Municipal Revenues		\$ 755,611.18

Of total court receipts, 31.6% or \$7,379,786.04 went into the State General Fund. The balance was distributed to the Law Enforcement Officers Benefit and Retirement Fund (8.4%) and the counties (56.7%) and municipalities (3.3%) of the State.

Receipts deposited in the State's general fund amounted to 33.5% of the State's expenditures for the Judicial Department. Total State receipts (both general fund and LEOB&RF) equaled 42.3% of Judicial Department expenditures.

The table which follows gives a county by county breakdown of fees distributed to each county and the municipalities within that county.

AMOUNTS OF FEES, FINES AND FORFEITURES COLLECTED AND DISTRIBUTED TO COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES

Fiscal Year 1970-71

County	Facility Fees County	Officer Fees County	Jail Fees County	Fines and Forfeitures County	Facility Fees Municipality	Officer Fees Municipality	Jail Fees Municipality	Total
* Alamance	\$ 35,027.00	\$ 15,196.00	\$ 10,020.50	\$ 220,569.41	\$ 0	\$ 12,932.00	\$ 0	\$ 293,744.91
* Alexander	3,179.00	2,275.10	1,069.00	14,961.00	0	332.00	0	21,816.10
* Alleghany	1,363.00	591.00	321.00	7,180.00	0	152.00	0	9,607.00
* Anson	9,980.00	5,520.00	4,954.00	60,568.51	0	2,447.00	0	83,469.51
* Ashe	2,120.50	1,875.00	732.00	14,400.45	0	146.00	0	19,273.95
* Avery	4,306.90	4,574.75	912.50	25,399.00	0	18.00	0	35,211.15
* Beaufort	14,013.00	10,169.00	2,279.00	73,063.00	0	3,884.00	48.00	103,456.00
* Bertie	6,898.00	6,491.50	1,082.20	42,624.00	0	490.00	30.00	57,615.70
* Bladen	10,077.15	8,913.98	3,584.00	64,783.64	1,052.00	490.00	0	88,900.77
* Brunswick	7,708.00	7,199.00	1,782.10	59,507.55	2,425.00	508.00	276.00	79,405.65
* Buncombe	23,165.00	14,172.00	3,149.50	109,230.21	0	5,073.20	0	154,789.91
* Burke	22,776.00	12,018.00	2,350.00	131,281.83	0	4,682.00	27.00	173,134.83
* Cabarrus	14,276.00	11,621.50	3,736.00	72,216.88	0	2,014.70	0	103,865.08
* Caldwell	27,631.95	16,471.00	7,708.00	151,276.00	0	9,183.00	899.00	213,168.95
* Camden	1,886.00	1,200.00	297.00	13,722.50	0	24.00	0	17,129.50
* Carteret	12,664.39	8,230.00	1,927.00	100,436.80	1,122.00	2,736.00	0	127,116.19
* Caswell	3,441.00	3,270.60	1,300.00	31,780.00	0	0	0	39,791.60
* Catawba	20,640.80	16,888.00	6,015.00	228,666.76	20,331.00	14,000.00	7,688.00	314,229.56
* Chatham	6,652.50	7,000.35	2,122.50	62,877.65	4,817.00	1,099.00	806.00	85,375.00
* Cherokee	4,283.25	3,061.00	2,565.45	32,824.59	0	725.00	261.00	43,720.29
* Chowan	5,195.00	2,610.00	913.80	45,697.49	0	1,638.00	0	56,054.29
* Clay	1,505.00	1,412.00	508.00	20,970.00	0	0	0	24,395.00
* Cleveland	24,025.00	14,495.00	8,630.00	153,348.75	0	6,811.00	1,272.00	208,581.75
* Columbus	14,808.00	10,335.00	2,177.00	109,615.30	3,288.00	3,835.00	5,027.70	149,086.00
* Craven	20,970.00	10,942.35	4,834.00	128,453.00	0	4,576.50	131.00	169,907.30
* Cumberland	60,466.40	37,388.00	25,512.50	705,516.87	9,758.00	18,052.00	0	856,693.77
* Currituck	2,919.00	2,346.00	498.00	20,973.10	0	0	0	26,646.10

* For the period December 7, 1970 through June 30, 1971.

County	Facility Fees County	Officer Fees County	Jail Fees County	Fines and Forfeitures County	Facility Fees Municipality	Officer Fees Municipality	Jail Fees Municipality	Total
Dare	5,819.00	3,675.00	417.00	60,570.00	0	724.00	0	71,205.00
*Davidson	12,488.00	10,213.50	3,833.20	106,716.40	2,806.00	2,239.25	.90	138,297.25
*Dawie	4,511.28	3,361.40	283.00	38,792.95	0	358.00	0	47,306.63
Duplin	17,327.55	11,155.24	1,750.00	110,879.76	0	2,622.00	3,571.00	147,305.55
Durham	59,343.52	15,166.37	7,600.00	248,311.83	0	23,400.67	0	353,822.39
Edgecombe	14,807.00	13,633.91	5,280.00	87,039.50	5,894.00	5,508.00	1,561.00	133,723.41
Forsyth	88,584.00	16,619.90	12,309.00	316,187.75	1,544.00	52,820.81	0	488,065.46
Franklin	11,402.00	7,080.25	2,181.50	63,239.00	0	1,633.00	654.00	86,189.75
Gaston	59,688.00	34,523.35	18,489.00	280,235.90	0	18,258.00	426.00	411,620.25
Gates	2,876.00	2,542.00	224.00	20,770.00	0	0	0	26,412.00
Graham	1,752.00	1,268.00	858.00	16,638.50	0	208.00	0	20,724.50
Granville	12,002.00	6,538.00	4,452.00	105,239.95	0	2,800.50	1,244.00	132,276.45
Greene	5,100.00	3,793.00	1,403.00	38,362.00	0	444.00	0	49,102.00
Guilford	160,792.50	34,308.60	34,403.75	503,217.77	0	88,137.50	0	820,860.12
Halifax	15,918.15	12,988.56	3,593.00	144,960.00	3,960.00	4,932.00	4,807.00	191,158.71
Harnett	13,984.65	10,918.55	2,614.00	84,267.85	5,666.65	4,094.00	3,416.00	124,961.70
Haywood	9,673.00	7,853.50	3,490.50	82,219.29	1,106.00	3,050.00	285.00	107,677.29
Henderson	12,901.00	7,724.44	4,349.00	60,952.74	646.00	2,856.00	0	89,429.18
Hertford	7,641.00	4,720.00	1,205.25	48,460.75	0	1,941.00	0	63,968.00
Hoke	6,679.00	4,761.50	2,654.00	56,751.85	0	446.00	0	71,292.35
Hyde	2,177.55	1,505.50	786.00	21,395.70	0	0	0	25,864.75
*Iredell	12,737.00	8,453.00	4,506.90	100,728.89	2,082.00	3,495.00	735.80	132,738.59
Jackson	5,131.00	4,006.00	2,891.25	46,341.79	0	0	0	58,370.04
Johnston	22,550.65	18,447.80	7,358.90	168,607.00	5,959.90	5,412.00	3,836.50	232,172.75
Jones	2,575.00	2,144.00	929.00	11,189.00	0	68.00	0	16,905.00
Lee	13,680.00	9,271.87	6,962.00	63,958.75	0	4,260.00	0	98,132.62
Lenoir	27,194.00	14,864.50	5,623.00	153,657.07	0	6,130.00	3,523.00	210,991.57
Lincoln	12,164.80	11,775.00	3,616.00	93,164.75	0	323.50	0	121,044.05
Macon	3,836.00	2,888.00	1,157.00	29,150.00	0	680.00	30.00	37,741.00
Madison	2,947.80	2,812.00	752.00	16,268.00	0	0	0	22,779.80
Martin	12,374.00	9,032.00	1,704.00	74,977.00	0	1,698.00	1.00	99,786.00
McDowell	9,514.05	7,432.00	4,202.00	69,042.00	0	500.00	21.00	90,711.05

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County	Facility Fees County	Officer Fees County	Jail Fees County	Fines and Forfeitures County	Facility Fees Municipality	Officer Fees Municipality	Jail Fees Municipality	Total
Mecklenburg	151,057.00	31,718.00	1,013.00	617,394.20	0	57,610.00	0	858,792.20
Mitchell	3,493.35	3,426.99	1,424.00	16,109.08	0	636.00	0	25,089.42
*Montgomery	5,911.85	4,940.50	1,604.50	27,660.00	0	764.00	0	40,880.85
Moore	13,065.00	9,678.00	3,503.10	114,091.20	2,223.00	2,922.00	2,376.00	147,858.30
Nash	15,817.00	17,018.42	4,563.00	141,735.35	9,779.00	6,591.00	2,080.00	197,583.77
New Hanover	42,067.00	11,700.00	9,766.00	170,162.98	0	19,310.00	723.00	253,728.98
Northampton	5,970.00	5,334.60	3,153.00	51,605.73	0	338.00	0	66,401.33
Onslow	29,393.00	16,580.00	11,390.35	245,138.35	0	7,073.00	0	309,574.70
Orange	11,022.00	8,488.00	1,166.00	107,001.80	4,855.00	5,784.00	448.00	138,764.80
Pamlico	2,417.00	2,095.00	480.00	17,219.00	0	0	0	22,211.00
Pasquotank	9,482.00	3,621.00	1,076.00	64,926.00	0	2,191.50	0	81,296.50
Pender	9,306.00	6,948.00	2,317.00	47,383.00	0	930.00	0	66,884.00
Perquimans	2,274.50	1,890.50	662.90	15,468.00	0	180.00	0	20,475.90
Person	11,615.00	4,859.00	2,782.50	79,086.80	246.00	2,810.00	0	101,399.30
Pitt	25,076.50	12,842.00	8,653.15	179,097.81	6,932.00	11,874.00	3,036.00	247,511.46
Polk	2,902.00	2,210.00	2,147.15	19,590.75	0	186.00	0	27,035.90
*Randolph	15,813.00	16,221.04	3,680.75	84,559.41	0	1,757.00	0	122,031.20
Richmond	13,635.00	10,208.00	3,681.60	75,535.24	0	1,898.00	1,580.00	106,537.84
Robeson	27,588.49	25,427.33	6,277.00	298,430.73	12,297.00	6,086.00	6,416.50	382,523.05
*Rockingham	7,626.00	11,051.25	475.60	78,162.10	6,882.00	5,241.00	1,618.00	111,055.95
*Rowan	14,023.44	11,894.64	2,253.00	102,053.99	0	3,156.00	0	133,381.07
Rutherford	15,471.45	9,212.21	5,920.01	71,035.00	0	2,923.50	825.00	105,387.17
Sampson	16,102.00	12,029.50	5,004.50	143,495.61	0	1,768.00	84.00	178,483.61
Scotland	10,548.00	7,066.00	4,930.00	80,160.00	0	2,088.00	0	104,792.00
Stanly	14,627.50	5,870.00	4,351.70	77,114.00	0	4,766.70	0	106,729.90
*Stokes	4,300.00	3,443.00	1,093.25	26,846.25	0	244.00	0	35,926.50
*Surry	10,895.00	9,413.95	907.00	72,979.10	19.70	2,608.00	1,208.20	98,030.95
Swain	3,177.00	2,162.00	2,819.00	19,778.00	0	372.00	0	28,308.00
Transylvania	4,181.00	2,532.17	2,666.00	31,514.67	0	618.00	0	41,511.84
Tyrrell	1,088.00	833.84	96.00	4,867.00	0	6.00	0	6,890.84
Union	15,999.00	9,021.00	5,313.00	90,529.00	0	3,155.00	0	124,017.00
Vance	14,136.20	5,541.50	5,383.00	72,180.75	0	3,514.00	0	100,755.45

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County	Facility Fees County	Officer Fees County	Jail Fees County	Fines and Forfeitures County	Facility Fees Municipality	Officer Fees Municipality	Jail Fees Municipality	Total
Wake	123,293.05	39,943.45	21,367.00	464,706.71	4,320.00	62,442.00	1,802.00	717,874.21
Warren	6,553.14	4,633.04	2,482.00	26,395.10	0	446.00	0	40,509.28
Washington	3,990.00	2,746.00	743.00	22,875.00	0	744.00	0	31,098.00
Watauga	6,174.00	5,552.00	2,444.24	43,323.00	0	870.00	0	58,363.24
Wayne	31,086.00	14,550.50	8,977.50	132,772.76	730.00	7,248.00	750.00	196,114.76
*Wilkes	7,855.00	5,607.82	2,247.00	37,192.02	0	452.00	0	53,353.84
Wilson	23,555.00	16,841.25	5,585.00	124,832.30	0	4,200.00	96.00	175,109.55
*Yadkin	3,280.90	2,766.00	1,213.00	20,527.00	0	454.00	9.00	28,249.90
Yancey	3,239.20	2,618.25	2,256.00	23,291.22	0	96.00	0	31,500.67
TOTALS	\$1,751,255.91	\$922,278.62	\$410,635.10	\$10,163,064.49	\$120,741.25	\$571,240.33	\$ 63,629.60	\$14,002,845.30

* For the period December 7, 1970 through June 30, 1971.

REPRESENTATION OF INDIGENTS

Private counsel are appointed to represent indigent defendants in twenty-eight of the State's judicial districts. In the 12th and 18th judicial districts (Cumberland, Hoke, and Guilford counties) indigents are normally represented by the public defender's office. Although the rules governing entitlement to counsel were the same during the 1969-70 and 1970-71 fiscal years, the costs of the program increased from \$1,171,933.54 to \$1,626,335.38 or 38.8%. This program constituted 7.4% of total Judicial Department expenditures in 1970-71. The costs of the program in 1970-71 are summarized as follows:

Assigned Counsel in Criminal Cases	\$1,341,722.86	
Assigned Counsel in Juvenile Cases	63,690.53	
		\$1,405,413.39
Public Defender's Office in		
12th Judicial District	61,366.98	
Public Defender's Office in		
18th Judicial District	80,845.23	
		142,212.21
Transcripts, Records and Briefs		77,344.78
Expert Witness Fees		1,365.00
TOTAL		\$1,626,355.38

The table at the end of this section compares the assigned counsel program in 1969-70 and 1970-71. The number of cases assigned rose from 7,426 to 9,179 or 23.6% and expenditures rose from \$1,055,818 to \$1,405,413 or 33.1%.

Court appearances represent only a part of the activity of the public defenders, but the numbers do reflect the high level of activity in both of these offices:

1971 Court Appearances

	12th District	18th District
District Court	634	649
Superior Court	322	438
Appellate Courts	10	17

The total cost of providing counsel to indigents in the two districts with public defenders was as follows:

	12th District	18th District
Public Defender	\$61,366.98	\$ 80,845.23
Assigned Counsel	18,470.00	20,280.00
	<u>\$79,836.98</u>	<u>\$101,125.23</u>

It is instructive to compare these costs with the costs of the program in other urban areas: 10th District (Wake) \$87,250.60, 14th District (Durham) \$92,182.00, 21st District (Forsyth) \$64,369.13, and 26th District (Mecklenburg) \$174,807.56.

When private counsel or the public defender is assigned to represent an indigent, the court sets the money value of services rendered and enters judgment against the defendant for such amount. Receipts from payments on these judgments rose from \$26,414.88 in 1969-70 to \$37,692.73 in 1970-71. Receipts in 1970-71 amounted to 2.3% of the total cost of the indigent defendant program.

ASSIGNED COUNSEL

Cases and Expenditures

	CASES		EXPENDITURES		Percent
	1969-70	1970-71	1969-70	1970-71	Increase
<u>1ST DISTRICT</u>					
Camden	9	4	1,175	1,036	(11.8)
Chowan	22	30	2,600	3,814	46.7
Currituck	3	4	300	300	
Dare	2	7	225	1,261	460.4
Gates	5	4	525	525	
Pasquotank	28	41	3,280	6,288	91.7
Perquimans	10	4	1,550	350	(77.4)
TOTAL	79	94	9,655	13,574	40.6
<u>2ND DISTRICT</u>					
Beaufort	52	65	5,120	7,940	55.1
Hyde	4	4	1,500	350	(76.7)
Martin	26	52	2,170	8,870	308.8
Tyrrell	3	10	345	1,310	279.7
Washington	23	14	2,705	1,095	(59.5)
TOTAL	108	145	11,840	19,565	65.2
<u>3RD DISTRICT</u>					
Carteret	53	68	5,605	8,435	50.5
Craven	69	137	9,030	17,435	93.1
Pamlico	5	7	560	840	50.0
Pitt	183	211	19,570	34,987	78.8
TOTAL	310	423	34,765	61,697	77.5
<u>4TH DISTRICT</u>					
Duplin	49	38	4,912	6,625	34.9
Jones	6	8	800	1,203	50.4
Onslow	69	97	9,160	14,050	53.4
Sampson	45	66	4,760	8,800	84.9
TOTAL	169	209	19,632	30,678	56.3
<u>5TH DISTRICT</u>					
New Hanover	241	244	29,135	24,396	(16.3)
Pender	28	38	2,785	4,378	57.2
TOTAL	269	282	31,920	28,774	(9.9)
<u>6TH DISTRICT</u>					
Bertie	32	22	3,314	2,350	(29.1)
Halifax	95	125	9,044	15,528	71.7
Hertford	19	27	1,365	2,445	79.1
Northampton	18	30	3,428	4,207	22.7
TOTAL	164	204	17,151	24,530	43.0

	CASES		EXPENDITURES		Percent Increase
	1969-70	1970-71	1969-70	1970-71	
<u>7TH DISTRICT</u>					
Edgecombe	88	112	10,310	17,452	69.3
Nash	107	121	22,004	25,241	14.7
Wilson	135	155	17,648	23,143	31.1
TOTAL	330	388	49,962	65,836	31.8
<u>8TH DISTRICT</u>					
Greene	15	16	2,035	1,130	(44.5)
Lenoir	70	99	9,890	13,185	33.3
Wayne	69	210	8,465	24,578	190.3
TOTAL	154	325	20,390	38,893	90.7
<u>9TH DISTRICT</u>					
Franklin	54	76	8,682	15,353	76.8
Granville	38	48	4,450	7,355	65.3
Person	32	54	3,680	7,835	112.9
Vance	43	101	6,295	12,205	93.9
Warren	25	17	2,875	2,841	(1.2)
TOTAL	192	296	25,982	45,589	75.5
<u>10TH DISTRICT</u>					
Wake	385	578	54,171	87,271	61.1
<u>11TH DISTRICT</u>					
Harnett	45	50	6,500	8,493	30.7
Johnston	43	82	8,150	17,625	116.3
Lee	27	37	3,095	5,750	85.8
TOTAL	115	169	17,745	31,868	79.6
<u>12TH DISTRICT</u>					
Cumberland	258	64	47,110	17,670	(62.5)
Hoke	15	3	2,225	800	(64.0)
TOTAL	273	67	49,335	18,470	(62.6)
<u>13TH DISTRICT</u>					
Bladen	37	69	2,880	11,335	293.6
Brunswick	26	17	4,070	4,775	17.3
Columbus	81	82	8,415	10,902	29.6
TOTAL	144	168	15,365	27,012	75.8
<u>14TH DISTRICT</u>					
Durham	332	572	61,617	92,182	49.6
<u>15TH DISTRICT</u>					
Alamance	149	126	25,743	17,950	(30.3)
Chatham	28	35	3,815	3,980	4.3
Orange	69	116	11,785	20,408	73.2
TOTAL	246	277	41,343	42,338	2.4
<u>16TH DISTRICT</u>					
Robeson	176	213	26,082	32,371	24.1
Scotland	88	127	9,469	14,588	54.1
TOTAL	264	340	35,551	46,959	32.1

	CASES		EXPENDITURES		Percent Increase
	1969-70	1970-71	1969-70	1970-71	
<u>17TH DISTRICT</u>					
Caswell	11	41	1,200	6,124	410.3
Rockingham	64	180	8,485	28,148	231.7
Stokes	8	10	1,050	1,050	
Surry	35	47	5,875	8,486	44.4
TOTAL	118	278	16,610	43,808	163.7
<u>18TH DISTRICT</u>					
Guilford	502	65	87,430	20,280	(76.8)
<u>19TH DISTRICT</u>					
Cabarrus	179	157	20,134	16,675	(17.2)
Montgomery	41	35	4,360	3,265	(25.1)
Randolph	67	72	7,863	7,755	(1.4)
Rowan	68	126	9,275	17,053	83.9
TOTAL	355	390	41,632	44,748	7.5
<u>20TH DISTRICT</u>					
Anson	30	53	4,555	6,205	36.2
Moore	45	54	4,145	6,810	64.3
Richmond	137	122	15,765	14,368	(8.9)
Stanly	62	84	6,210	15,165	144.2
Union	90	79	10,455	11,390	8.9
TOTAL	364	392	41,130	53,938	31.1
<u>21ST DISTRICT</u>					
Forsyth	333	329	56,191	64,369	14.6
<u>22ND DISTRICT</u>					
Alexander	7	15	915	1,430	56.3
Davidson	81	127	14,225	25,481	79.1
Davie	15	18	2,770	3,435	24.0
Iredell	41	88	5,150	11,553	124.3
TOTAL	144	248	23,060	41,899	81.7
<u>23RD DISTRICT</u>					
Alleghany	6	10	800	1,125	40.6
Ashe	13	21	1,485	2,375	59.9
Wilkes	37	70	5,700	11,620	103.9
Yadkin	7	23	800	4,745	493.1
TOTAL	63	124	8,785	19,865	126.1
<u>24TH DISTRICT</u>					
Avery	12	21	2,635	2,400	(8.9)
Madison	15	39	2,840	5,995	111.1
Mitchell	6	16	555	3,050	449.5
Watauga	36	29	6,505	4,500	(30.8)
Yancey	10	12	715	1,175	64.3
TOTAL	79	117	13,250	17,120	29.2
<u>25TH DISTRICT</u>					
Burke	93	104	14,035	15,763	12.3
Caldwell	98	122	13,065	23,359	78.8
Catawba	134	193	22,634	34,289	51.5
TOTAL	325	419	49,734	73,411	47.6

	CASES		EXPENDITURES		Percent Increase
	1969-70	1970-71	1969-70	1970-71	
<u>26TH DISTRICT</u>					
Mecklenburg	482	953	85,907	174,808	103.5
<u>27TH DISTRICT</u>					
Cleveland	162	138	19,008	20,635	8.6
Gaston	316	303	36,690	45,666	24.5
Lincoln	38	47	3,715	6,285	69.2
TOTAL	516	488	59,413	72,586	22.2
<u>28TH DISTRICT</u>					
Buncombe	240	431	30,663	50,673	65.3
<u>29TH DISTRICT</u>					
Henderson	83	100	10,040	10,037	
McDowell	43	28	5,375	2,545	(52.7)
Polk	43	15	5,213	2,360	(54.7)
Rutherford	68	63	6,766	8,736	29.1
Transylvania	27	29	2,715	4,215	55.2
TOTAL	264	235	30,109	27,893	(7.4)
<u>30TH DISTRICT</u>					
Cherokee	20	13	3,775	2,350	(37.7)
Clay	5	1	650	75	(88.5)
Graham	2	3	800	550	(31.3)
Haywood	41	89	6,340	11,655	83.8
Jackson	23	32	2,045	5,040	146.5
Macon	7	14	1,400	2,175	55.5
Swain	9	21	470	2,940	525.5
TOTAL	107	173	15,480	24,785	60.1
GRAND TOTAL	7,426	9,179	\$1,055,818	\$1,405,413	33.1

TABLE I

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2	Elbert S. Peel, Jr.	Williamston
3	Robert D. Rouse, Jr.	Farmville
4	Winifred T. Wells	Wallace
5	Bradford Tillery	Wilmington
	Joshua S. James	Maple Hill
6	Perry Martin	Rich Square
7	George M. Fountain	Tarboro
8	Albert W. Cowper	Kinston
9	Hamilton H. Hobgood	Louisburg
10	William Y. Bickett	Raleigh
	James H. Pou Bailey	Raleigh
11	Harry E. Canaday	Benson
12	E. Maurice Braswell	Fayetteville
	Coy E. Brewer	Fayetteville
13	Edward B. Clark	Elizabethtown
14	Clarence W. Hall	Durham
15	Thomas D. Cooper, Jr.	Burlington
16	Henry A. McKinnon, Jr.	Lumberton
17	James M. Long	Yanceyville
18	Walter E. Crissman	High Point
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District	Judge	City
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Solicitors and Assistant Solicitors *

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District	Solicitor and Assistants	City
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28	Robert D. Lewis Robert W. Fisher Thomas E. L. Lipsey, II Alton T. Cummings James A. Freeman	Asheville Asheville Asheville Asheville Asheville
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12	Sol G. Cherry Kenneth A. Glusman James G. Taylor Neill H. Fleishman	Fayetteville Fayetteville Chapel Hill Fayetteville

* The Public Defender is listed first.

District	Public Defender and Assistants	City
18	Wallace C. Harrelson Delmar L. Dowda Dallas C. Clark, Jr. James D. Shepherd	Greensboro Greensboro Greensboro Greensboro

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Alamance	Wiley P. Wooten
Alexander	Atwell B. Bumgarner
Alleghany	Glenn Busic
Anson	H. C. Tucker
Ashe	Virginia D. Winebarger
Avery	Dean B. Eller
Beaufort	Bessie J. Cherry
Bertie	Thomas S. Speight
Bladen	Carl C. Campbell
Brunswick	J. E. Brown
Buncombe	J. Ray Elingburg
Burke	T. G. Bumgardner
Cabarrus	Estus B. White
Caldwell	Mary H. Thompson
Camden	Caroline G. Halstead
Carteret	A. H. James
Caswell	Julian P. Moore
Catawba	Eunice Mauney
Chatham	J. W. Drake
Cherokee	James C. Howse
Chowan	Lena M. Leary
Clay	Ralph A. Allison
Cleveland	Ruth S. Dedmon
Columbus	Lacy R. Thompson
Craven	Dorothy P. Pate
Cumberland	Marion B. Person
Currituck	R. E. Saunders
Dare	C. S. Meekins
Davidson	Elmer R. Everhart
Davie	Glenn L. Hammer
Duplin	John A. Johnson
Durham	Alton Knight
Edgecombe	Don Gilliam, Jr.
Forsyth	A. E. Blackburn
Franklin	Ralph S. Knott
Gaston	George C. Holland
Gates	S. Hayes Carter, Jr.
Graham	O. W. Hooper, Jr.
Granville	Mary C. Nelms
Greene	Seth T. Barrow
Guilford	J. P. Shore
Halifax	Jacob C. Taylor
Harnett	Elizabeth F. Matthews
Haywood	J. B. Siler
Henderson	J. Seldon Osteen
Hertford	Arthur W. Greene
Hoke	E. E. Smith
Hyde	Walter A. Credle
Iredell	Carl G. Smith
Jackson	Margaret W. Henson

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Lee
Lenoir
Lincoln
Macon
Madison
Martin
McDowell
Mecklenburg
Mitchell
Montgomery
Moore
Nash
New Hanover
Northampton
Onslow
Orange
Pamlico
Pasquotank
Pender
Perquimans
Person
Pitt
Polk
Randolph
Richmond
Robeson
Rockingham
Rowan
Rutherford
Sampson
Scotland
Stanly
Stokes
Surry
Swain
Transylvania
Tyrrell
Union
Vance
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Warren
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